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THE PREVALENCE OF INFLUENZA

United States.—For the week ended February 21, 1931, 11,135 cases of influenza were reported by State health officers to the Public Health Service. This figure indicates but little change in the prevalence of the disease in the United States as a whole during the last four weeks.

Most of the States along the Atlantic coast line reported decreased prevalence of influenza as compared with the reports for the preceding weeks. In Illinois and Indiana the number of cases of influenza continued to decline. In Michigan and Wisconsin there was a slight increase for the week. In California 300 cases of influenza were reported for the week ended February 14, 1931, and 513 cases for the week ended February 21.

Europe.—In England and Wales the prevalence of influenza increased slightly during the week ended February 7, 1931. A report from the Health Section of the League of Nations, dated February 14, states: "The disease is chiefly prevailing in the northern part of England and in the southern counties of Wales. In two or three communities, including troops, influenza appears to have been associated with cerebrospinal fever. Since the first of January, 8 cases of the latter disease were reported in the Aldershot Command, 6 cases among the personnel of the Royal Air Force at Uxbridge, and 5 in the Eastern Command."

In Sweden 17,467 cases of influenza were reported during the first two weeks of January and 29,465 cases were reported during the second two weeks of the month. The disease is very mild.

In Switzerland 7,426 cases of influenza were reported in 18 cantons during the week ended February 7, 1931, as compared with 6,882 cases during the preceding week.

In Spain the peak of the epidemic was believed to have been reached before February 17, 1931. In Madrid the general death rate fell from 47.7 per 1,000 population during he last week of January to 36.7 during the week ended February 7.

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NOTE ON AN OUTBREAK OF MALARIA IN A RAILROAD CAMP, RAWSON SWITCH, CALIF.

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An outbreak of malaria involving 22 adult Mexicans out of a crew of 30 is here recorded. Although the majority of these cases are amply confirmed clinically, 11 were proved positive by microscopical examination. Of these, 8 are known as to type, 4 being classified as tertian and 4 as estivo-autumnal. The outbreak occurred in a railroad camp at Rawson Switch, near Red Bluff, Calif.

Dr. F. J. Bailey, local surgeon, at Red Bluff, of the railroad involved, reported on July 25, 1930, the presence of a number of cases of illness in this camp which he thought was malaria. Further investigation by the chief surgeon's office was begun on July 26 by one of us (Geiger).

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION

This camp is situated on a siding known as Rawson, approximately halfway between Gerber and Red Bluff. At the time of the first visit 11 persons were ill, 3 ill enough to be in bed, all showing practically the same clinical symptoms, namely, chills, fever, muscular pains, and headache. Six of these 11 had not had quinine, and the blood of 5 was subsequently proved positive for malaria parasites. Ordinarily, this section gang numbers about 36, and apparently the turnover in personnel is very light; in fact, 30 members of the crew had been together for at least 9 months. This crew had reached their present geographical situation on July 16. Previous to this they had been situated at Jessup Siding, 1½ miles north of Anderson, Calif. There they had been continuously for the preceding nine months.

In going into the history of the situation at Jessup, it was ascertained that the foreman had a similar crew at Jessup during the early summer months in 1929 of which 15 or 16 members were ill with symptoms similar to those reported in this particular group in 1930. The chief surgeon's office, however, had no record of this illness. Of the crew in 1929 it is interesting to record that two members are still present (I. A. and P. H.). I. A. has also been ill in 1930 and his blood is now positive for malaria parasites, type estivo-autumnal. Field investigation of the camp and its surroundings at Rawson failed to reveal the breeding of Anopheles mosquitoes within flight limits. Moreover, since it was ascertained that the same type of illness was present in the camp before leaving Anderson on July 15, the probable causative factors must have been present at Anderson. This point is emphasized, since seven were ill before leaving this camp site.

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The first illness at Anderson occurred about June 15, when two or three men came down. The foreman reported mosquitoes extraordinarily prevalent, particularly about the middle of June. Investigation at Anderson on July 30, 1930, further revealed that the cars of this camp, nine in number, were on a siding situated between two irrigation ditches which were profusely leaking water, not only onto the roadside but onto adjoining territory. Furthermore, one of these ditches runs over the right of way of the railroad and is carried in a pipe along the right of way. This pipe is buried to a certain extent but allows water to seep out along the right of way on both sides of the track. The sides of the irrigation ditch were covered with undergrowth and contained large amounts of tall grass known as cat-tails. The water seepage was on the roadside and in the ditches and territory practically surrounding the adjacent camp site.

At the time of our visit on July 30, although the conditions were ideal for mosquito breeding, only moderate breeding was noted by the presence of larva and pupæ of Anopheles. Adult mosquitoes were noted when one walked through the surrounding grass. up and exceedingly bright and the weather was warm at the time of this investigation. The disturbed mosquitoes, however, would bite (on the bared forearms), and the variety ascertained in the field investigation was Anopheles quadrimaculatus. Finally a number of residents of this particular locality were questioned and they confirmed the extraordinary flight of mosquitoes around July 15, their presence in considerable numbers at this time, and an illness usually in their entire families, probably clinical malaria. It is interesting to record that this particular district is not in the mosquito abatement district of the Anderson area. Furthermore, it is important to note that the cars and living quarters of this particular camp were not properly screened against mosquitoes; one car, in particular, was not screened at all, two cars had window screens, but doors unscreened and wide open, and the majority of the screened cars had screens with entirely too large a mesh to protect against mosquitoes.

DISCUSSION

This is undoubtedly an outbreak of malaria involving 22 persons out of a camp of 30, 11 of which were proved positive by microscopical examination. The field conditions, as to the possibility of mosquito breeding, surrounding the original camp and adjacent territory could be considered ideal when investigated on July 30. Moreover, the statement of residents confirmed these epidemiologic data. The presence of two patients who had also been ill in 1929, the blood of one still being positive, may account in part, because of an intensive localized transmission by infected mosquitoes, for the large number of cases prevalent in 1930. The effect of the number of original carriers of

sexually differentiated forms of parasites on the disease incidence in this group of Mexicans can only be surmised. It has been suggested that the mosquito abatement district limits at Anderson be extended to include the Jessup area. Apparently the conditions at the time of investigation indicate a decided increase in malaria in this district, most of which is obviously unreported. A list of 19 of the cases in the railroad camp, with type of parasites found, is presented herewith.

The unsupported clinical diagnosis in 11 cases by laboratory findings is to be regretted, but the cessation of symptoms after quininization is more than presumptive proof of its correctness.

Case (all adults)	Type of parasite found	Case (all adults)	Type of parasite found
I. A	Estivo-autumnal. Not examined. Do. Estivo-autumnal. Not examined. Estivo-autumnal. Not examined. Do. Do. Do.	P. G	Not examined. Do. Do. Tertian (Doctor Doane and Doctor Frye). Do. Do. Not examined. Estivo-autumnal. Tertian.

List of 19 cases, with type of parasite found in 8 cases examined

The names of three others are missing, since they left camp and no record was available. The type in three other cases is not available, being reported by the local surgeon only as positive, and the slides were not retained. Those marked "not examined" had been given quinine over a period of several days.

MEASUREMENTS FOR JAEGER'S TEST TYPES USED IN NEAR VISION TESTS

The Jaeger test types used in tests for near vision are not uniform and have never been standardized as has the Snellen scale used in tests for far vision. Recently an inquiry was received by the Public Health Service regarding the standard type size of Jaeger's test types; and in view of the fact that apparently little has been done to standardize the size of these types, it is believed that the information contained in the reply might be of considerable interest to others.

The investigator was unable to obtain a copy of the first edition of Jacger's test types published in Vienna in 1857, but contemporary measurements by Zehender (based on angles subtended) give the following results computed in millimeters, presumably the height of the small letters:

Type No.	Height	Туре No.	Height	Type No.	Height	Туре No.	Height
1	Mm. 0. 516 . 7 1. 03 1. 22 1. 29	6 7 8 9 10	Mm. 1.4 1.77 1.99 1 2.21 1 2.21	11 12 13 14 15	Mm. 2.43 2.98 3.32 4.42 5.97	16	Mm. 7. 74 10. 6 13. 27 16. 35 19. 45

¹ About.

The third edition (Schrift-Scalen. Professor v. Jaeger, Jr., 3. Auflage, Wien 1860 k. k. Hof- und Staatsdruckerei) contains types 1 to 20 in German (Gothic), French, and English. The measurements of the types of this third edition for the German and the English series in capitals and in lower case letters are as follows:

Туре №.	German (Gothic) caps	German (Gothic) lower case	English caps	English lower case "e" and "o"	Туре No.	German (Gothic) caps	German (Gothic) lower case	English caps	English lower case "e" and "o"
	Mm.	Mm.	Mm.	Mm.		Mm.	Mm.	Mm.	Mm.
1	0.75	0.5	0, 75	0.5	11	3.6	2.6	3.4	2. 25
		.75	1.0	.75	12	4.0	3. ŏ	3.8	2.5
	1.0			1 .40					
3	1.5	1.0	1. 3	. 85	13	5.0	3.5	4.2	2.75
4	1.7	1.2	1.4	9 .9	14	6.2	4.6	5. 1	3.6
5	2.0	1.35	1.7	1.2	15	8.2	6.4	6.6	4.5
8	2, 25	1.45	2.0	1. 35	16	10.7	8.2	7.5	5.3
7	2.5	1.8	2.2	1.5	17	14.4	11.0	10. 5	7.2
Ř	28	2.0	2.5	1.65	18	18. 0	14.0	13.0	8.7
0	8.0	2.2	2.75	1.8	19	22.0	17.0	18.6	14.0
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10	3. 3	2.5	3.0	2.0	20	26.0	20.0	26.7	18.6

In 1863 Professor Jaeger published a supplement from the same publishers and also from Victor Masson of Paris, giving four larger types as follows:

Туре №.	German (Gothic) caps	German (Gothic) lower case	English caps	English lower case "e" and "o"
21	Mm. 36.0	Mm. 24.0	Mm. 29 0	Mm. 22.0
22	48.0	32.0	36.0	27. 5
23	52.0	38. 5	47.0	34.0
24	70.0	45. 0	61. 5	43.0

In 1865 an edition in vest-pocket form was printed by the same Hof- und Staatsdruckerei (Court and State Printing Establishment) in Vienna (sold by L. W. Seidel and Son), in English only. These types had the following measurements:

Type No.	Caps	Lower case	Туре No.	Caps	Lower Case	Type No.	Caps	Lower
1	Mm. 0.75 1.0 1.2	Mm. 0.5 .7 .85	9	Mm. 2.6 3.1 3.45	Mm. 1.75 2.0 2.2	17	Mm. 10.5 13.8 18.8	Mm. 7.4 8.8 14.0
5	1. 45 1. 65 1. 9 2. 0 2. 5	1.0	12 13 14 15 16	3.8 4.3 5.2 6.7 7.7	2.5 2.8 3.5 4.5 5.2	20 21 22 22 23 24	27. 5 30. 2 33. 5 (1)	18. 5 24. 0 29. 5 36. 0 43. 5

¹ No caps.

In 1868 a series of (Jaeger) types was published in New York, having the following measurements for capital letters:

Type No.	Height	Туре No.	Height	Type No.	Height	Type No.	Height
1	Mm. 0.75 .85 1.0 1.3 1.7	6 7	Mm. 1.8 2.0 2.2 2.4 2.8	11 12 13 14 15	Mm. 3.0 4.0 5.0 6.0 6.5	16	Mm. 7. 5 12. 0 15. 0 20. 0 25. 0

The lower case types ranged correspondingly, No. 1 measuring 0.55 millimeters and No. 20, 19.2 millimeters. Other more recent American sets of Jaeger test types have been as irregular and variable throughout their range as these. Further, the character and shape of the type have varied from number to number, some being narrow, some broad, some bold face, and some delicately shaped, with varying serifs.

An attempt has also been made to correlate these with the Snellen types, but the two kinds of type are used altogether differently, the matter of accommodation coming prominently to the fore in the use of the Jaeger type. It is also believed that Jaeger's idea of using a logical text in an accustomed font has proved to be more suitable for near vision than the random capital letters of the Snellen system. In spite of the divergencies and irregular jumps in the different sets of Jaeger type examined, there was, in the earlier sets, a fair agreement as to the sizes of Jaeger No. 1 and Jaeger No. 20. Using an even geometrical progression between these limits (0.75 mm. for No. 1 capitals and 25.0 mm. for No. 20 capitals), the following set of measurements has been calculated. It is believed that a set of types with capital letters of these heights, and with small letters two-thirds as high, of any standard style of type commonly used in books, would provide a satisfactory range with even geometrical gradient, and would correspond closely enough with the various original and recent sets of Jaeger test types, eliminating the irregularities which are apparent in any of these series:

Type No.	Height of capi- tals in milli- meters	Approxi- mate size in point system	Туре No.	Height of capitals in millimeters	Approxi- mate size in point system	Type No.	Height of capitals in millimeters	Approxi- mate size in point system
1	0. 75 . 90 1. 08 1. 30 1. 57 1. 89 2. 27	3¼ 3¾ 4½ 5½ 6½ 8	8	2. 73 3. 28 3. 95 4. 75 5. 71 6. 87 8. 26	12 14 17 20 24 29 35	15	9. 93 11. 95 14. 37 17. 28 20. 79 25. 60	42 50 60 73 88 106

Aside from the irregularity in sizes and styles of type, one of the most serious defects of the different sets of Jaeger test types, old as well as recent, has been the deformity of the finer type letters from repeated use of the plates. It is therefore believed that such plates should be made of steel or other hard metal. It is probable, also, that a more accurate series can be made by special processes of reducing or enlarging standard type sizes to the exact dimensions in millimeters rather than by trying to select approximate sizes from standards in stock.

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THE ACTION OF SULPHYDRIL, IRON, AND CYANIDE COM-POUNDS ON THE OXYGEN CONSUMPTION OF LIVING CELLS

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The utilization of oxygen by living cells is a complex procedure, involving many chemical reactions. The rate of oxygen consumption may be influenced by physical and chemical changes which are produced within cells or their environment. The object of the experiments to be described in this paper is to add further information concerning the action of certain normal chemical tissue constituents and related chemicals on the oxygen consumption of tissues. view of previous investigations on the effect of glutathione and cysteine on the rate of oxygen consumption of washed tissues and dried tissue residues, a study has been made of the effect of these sulphydril compounds on living cells. Hemin was selected because iron-porphyrins closely related to hemin seem to occur in all cells. In fact, Fischer (1) recently isolated a hemin from yeast cells which appears to be identical with hemin obtained from hemoglobin. action of hemin is also of interest in view of the fact, demonstrated by the spectroscopic studies of Warburg and collaborators (2), that the respiration enzyme is closely related to hemin. Besides hemin the effect of methemoglobin, oxyhemoglobin, ferrous sulphate, and ferric tartrate has been investigated. The last problem has dealt with the study of the effect of iron compounds and glutathione on the inhibition of oxygen consumption produced by cyanide, a substance which for many years has been regarded as a typical "poison" of cell respiration.

Previous studies on the rate of oxygen consumption of cells under the influence of certain chemicals have yielded information of considerable value in formulating conceptions regarding the mechanism of cellular respiration. Thus Warburg believes that the sole respiration catalyst is the iron-containing respiration enzyme, and that changes in the rate of oxygen consumption brought about by the action of certain chemicals (HCN, H2S, CO, and As2O3) are due to their chemical action on the respiration enzyme. The possibility still exists, however, that there are physiological substances which may act, along with the respiration enzyme or independently of it, as essential factors in the mechanism of cellular respiration. Barron and Harrop (3) recently have demonstrated an acceleration of respiration by methylene blue, which they believe is independent of iron catalysis. However, Wendel and Shaffer (4), and Warburg, Kubowitz, and Christian (5) explain these results on the basis of a methemoglobin catalysis. Quite recently Michaelis and Salomon (6) have

demonstrated an accelerating effect, similar to that of methylene blue, obtained by tissue extracts, which they consider as being independent of iron-catalysis.

In view of these considerations it was hoped by the study of the action of the above mentioned sulphur and iron compounds to obtain further information concerning the mechanism of cell respiration.

EXPERIMENTAL METHOD

The oxygen consumption was measured by Warburg's micro-respiration apparatus (7) with Haldane micro-manometers. The respiration vessel was equipped with a side arm for the introduction of solutions during the course of an experiment, and with a central tube into which 0.1 c. c. of 5 per cent NaOH was placed for the absorption of CO_2 . The capacity of the vessels was about 18 c. c. and the total volume introduced was 2.6 c. c. (including the alkali). All experiments were run at a temperature of $37.6^{\circ} \pm 0.02$. The rat tissues were obtained immediately after decapitation and bleeding. They were minced with fine scissors, and weighed quantities were introduced into the vessel with Locke's solution containing 0.2 per cent glucose. In the case of testis a suspension was made which was pipetted into the vessels. Air was used in the respiration vessels during all of these experiments.

Crystalline SH glutathione was prepared either according to the method of Hopkins (8) or following Kendall's technique (9), by Dr. J. M. Johnson, of this laboratory. Elementary analysis and oxygen uptake gave values in agreement with theoretical. The cysteine was purified from commercial samples according to the method of Warburg (10). The hemin was prepared by the glacial acetic acid method from ox blood and was once recrystallized from pyridin and glacial acetic. All solutions of these chemicals were made neutral to litmus before being employed, and hemin was dissolved in the least amount of NaOH, so as to avoid a shift in pH of the Locke solution. The composition of the Locke solution was 0.92 per cent NaCl, 0.042 per cent KCl, 0.018 per cent CaCl₂, 0.015 to 0.03 per cent NaHCO₃, 0.20 per cent glucose, unless otherwise stated.

The concentrations of substances added are expressed in terms of the final concentration in the 2.5 c.c. volume of solution in the respiratory vessel. In case of glutathione normality is expressed in respect to the sulphur content.

EFFECT OF GLUTATHIONE ON THE OXYGEN CONSUMPTION OF TISSUES

Both oxidized and reduced glutathione have been added to various tissues and cell suspensions with no effect on their oxygen consumption which could not be accounted for by the O₂ required for the

oxidation of the SH group. The following tissues have been studied: Rat liver, kidney, brain, testicle, Jensen rat sarcoma, dog blood, dog serum, chicken erythrocytes, chicken serum, and, finally, yeast cells. During the course of this work Michaelis and Salomon (6) reported no effect from SH and S-S glutathione and cysteine on the oxygen consumption of rabbit erythrocytes.

The behavior of the various tissues toward reduced glutathione presented some interesting differences. The tissues could be divided into the following three groups:

(a) Those which kept the glutathione in the reduced state during the length of the experiment, so that there was no increased oxygen

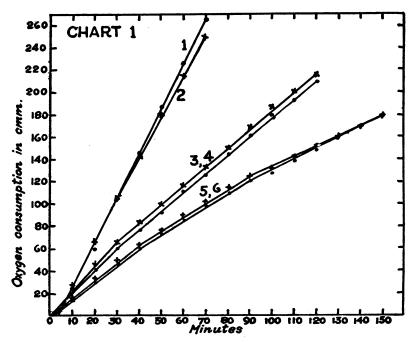


CHART 1.—The absence of effect of crystalline SH-glutathione on the oxygen consumption of rat tissues. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. brain; Curve 2, 0.3 gm. brain+N/100 glutathione (final concentration); Curve 3, 0.2 gm. Jensen sarcoma; Curve 4, sarcoma+N/100 glutathione; Curve 5, 0.3 gm. testes+N/100 glutathione; Curve 6, 0.3 gm. testes. All in Locke's solution. Glucose present in brain experiment only

uptake due to the added glutathione, and the nitroprusside reaction at the end of the experiment was strongly positive on the trichloracetic acid extract. In this group came liver, brain, testicle, Jensen sarcoma, and chicken erythrocytes. (Charts 1 and 2.)

(b) Those tissues which were unable to keep glutathione reduced, but in the presence of which the oxidation proceeded at a rate so slow as to indicate that the tissues took no active part in the rate of oxidation of the glutathione. In this group came kidney (Chart 2) and yeast cells. The relatively small amount of yeast cells (4 mg.)

employed may be a capacity factor involved in these results. That the increase in oxygen uptake was due to the oxidation of the SH group of the glutathione could be easily demonstrated by the negative nitroprusside test made upon t's:ue filtrates or trichloracetic acid extracts at the end of the experiments.

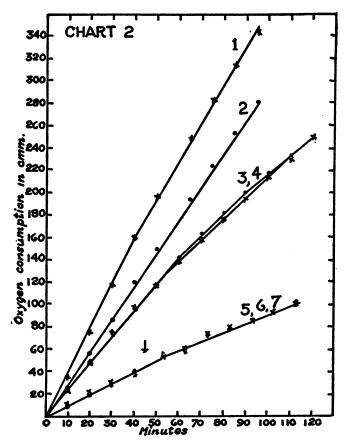


CHART 2.—The effect of SH-glutathione on the oxygen consumption of tissues. Curve 1, 0.2 gm. rat kidney+N/100 glutathione; Curve 2, 0.2 gm. rat kidney; Curves 3 and 4, 0.3 gm. rat liver with and without N/100 glutathione; Curves 5, 6, and 7, 1 c. c. washed rooster erythrocytes, alone, with N/500 and N/1,000 SH-glutathione added at arrow. Locke's solution. Glucose present except with erythrocytes. A slow rate of oxidation of glutathione occurs only with the kidney

(c) Those tissues which accelerated the rate of oxidation of glutathione. It was found (Charts 3 and 4) that dog or rooster blood caused complete oxidation of 3.06 mg. glutathione in 30 to 50 minutes. That this acceleration of oxidation is a property of the serum in the case of rooster blood is shown by the fact that washed rooster crythrocytes (nucleated cells) are able to keep the glutathione reduced (Chart 2). Similar results have been obtained with cysteins (see

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below). We have also found that SH glutathione is rapidly oxidized when added to fresh egg white.

These experiments are of interest, because they demonstrate a difference of behavior of sulphydril compounds in different tissues.

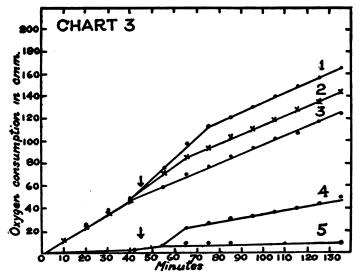


CHART 3.—The addition of SH-glutathione to blood of rooster. Curve 1, 2 c. c. defibrinated whole blood+N/250 glutathione; Curve 2, blood+N/500 glutathione; Curve 3, blood alone; Curve 4, 1 c. c. serum+N/250 glutathione; Curve 5, serum+N/500 SH-glutathione added at arrow. In Locke's solution; no glucose. The rapid oxidation of the glutathione is due to the presence of serum

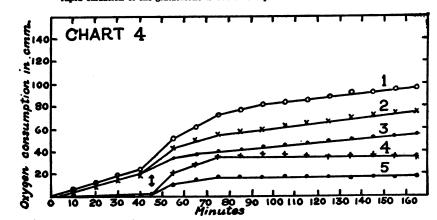


CHART 4.—The addition of SH-glutathione to dog blood. Curve 1, 2 c. c. defibrinated whole blood+N/250 glutathione; Curve 2, blood+N/500 glutathione; Curve 3, blood alone; Curve 4, 1 c. c. serum+N/250 glutathione; Curve 5, serum+N/500 glutathione added at arrow. Locke's solution; no glucose

It remains to be seen whether this difference in the rate of oxidation of SH glutathione in the presence of different tissues or blood serum is in any way connected with the reducing power of the tissues. Suggestive evidence along this line is furnished by the fact that Voegt-

lin, Johnson, and Dyer (11), by means of redox indicators, have found that rat liver and testis exhibit a relatively high reducing power, whereas blood plasma and serum are unable to reduce even very small amounts of the indicators under anaerobic conditions. The rapid oxidation of SH glutathione in serum may be due perhaps to the catalytic effect of traces of copper, which are known to occur in normal human and horse serum. In fact, Warburg (12) has devised a method for the estimation of serum copper, which rests on the catalytic action of copper on the oxidation of pure cysteine.

Two experiments were made with S-S glutathione obtained by aerating a solution of crystalline reduced glutathione until the nitro-

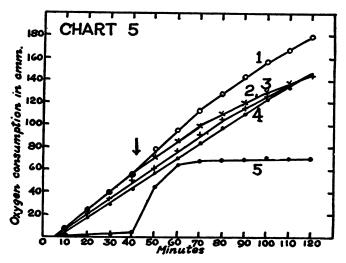


CHART 5.—The inability of large amounts of cysteine or hemin to bring about the oxidation of glutathione in the presence of rat testis. Curve 1, 0.2 gm. testis+5 mg. glutathione+0.4 mg. hemin, 2 mg. cysteine added at arrow; Curve 2, testis+5 mg. glutathione, 2 mg. cysteine added at arrow; Curve 3, testis+0.4 mg. hemin, 2 mg. cysteine at arrow; Curve 4, testis alone; Curve 5, 2 mg. cysteine in Locke's solution, 0.4 mg. hemin at arrow. All experiments with Locke's solution plus glucose

prusside test became negative. The oxygen consumption of the testis was not affected by the presence of N/100 S-S glutathione. (Chart 13.) ¹

After the completion of these experiments a paper appeared by Meldrum and Dixon (13) in which it was reported that the oxidation of SH glutathione, and the oxidation catalysis which it produced in a thermostable muscle powder, appeared to depend upon the presence of a ferrocysteine complex. They demonstrated that muscle powder or washed fresh rat muscle could inhibit the oxidation of crystalline

¹ Preliminary studies were made upon the effect of SH glutathione on the rate of fermentation of Baker's yeast in a phosphate buffer of pH 5.99, containing 1.5 per cent glucose. The experiments were carried out in fermentation tubes. The presence of N/200 SH glutathione did not alter the rate of fermentation.

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SH glutathione, while the addition of cysteine to the glutathione plus muscle powder caused an oxygen uptake in excess of that required for the oxidation of the SH compounds.

It was thus necessary to determine whether the ability of certain fresh tissues to keep glutathione reduced, as well as the absence of any catalytic action of glutathione on the oxygen consumption of tissues, was due to the absence of sufficient cysteine in these tissues. Experiments were therefore carried out in which SH glutathione, hemin, and cysteine were added separately and together to tissues.

Jensen rat sarcoma and rat testis were able to keep reduced 5 mg. of crystalline glutathione (N/153 final concentration) and 2 mg. of cysteine hydrochloride, individually or mixed, so that the oxygen up-

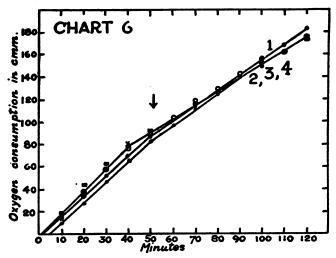


CHART 6.—The inability of glutathione or glutathione with cysteine to undergo oxidation in the presence of Jensen sarcoma, even when hemin is added. Curve, 1, 0.2 gm. sarcoma + 2 mg. cysteine hydrochloride, 0.2 mg. hemin added at arrow; Curves 2, 3, and 4, sarcoma alone; sarcoma + 5 mg. glutathione, 2 mg. cysteine added at arrow; sarcoma + 5 mg. glutathione + 2 mg. cysteine, 0.2 mg. hemin added at arrow

take was the same in their presence as in their absence. The addition of a relatively large amount of hemin, 0.4 mg. (M/4,000), was unable within the length of these experiments to bring about the complete oxidation of these SH compounds in the presence of these tissues, although the complete oxidation of 2 mg. of cysteine in Locke's solution in the absence of tissue was effected in 30 minutes by this amount of hemin. (Charts 5 and 6.)

The addition of cysteine to kidney or to kidney plus glutathione gave results analogous to those with glutathione. There was a slow increase in oxygen consumption, which could be shown in a qualitative way by the nitroprusside test to be due to the oxidation of the SH compounds. When hemin was also added there was a further ac-

celeration of the rate of oxidation, although it was not quite as rapid as cysteine-hemin oxidation in the absence of kidney. (Charts 5 and 7.)

From these experiments it may be concluded that the ability of certain fresh tissues to keep sulphydril compounds in the reduced state is not due to the "inactivation" of free cysteine or iron by the tissues, as Meldrum and Dixon found for thermostable muscle preparations.

In experiments to be reported elsewhere, we were unable to confirm the statement of Meldrum and Dixon (13) that the addition of small

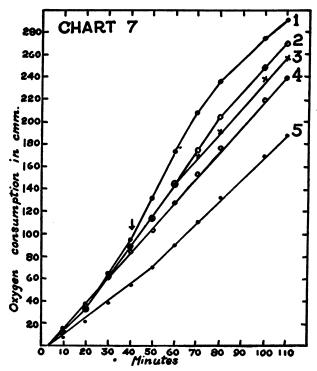


CHART 7.—The slow oxidation of glutathione and cysteine, with and without hemin, in the presence of rat kidney. Curve 1, 0.1 gm. kidney +5 mg. 8H-glutathione+2 mg. cysteine, 0.4 mg. hemin added at arrow; Curve 2, kidney+5 mg. glutathione, 2 mg. cysteine added at arrow; Curve 3, kidney+5 mg. glutathione; Curve 4, kidney+2 mg. cysteine; Curve 5, kidney alone. Cysteine did not affect the rate of oxidation of glutathione. Locke's solution plus glucose

amounts of pure cysteine, with or without traces of iron, to solutions of crystalline SH glutathione exert an accelerating action on the oxidation of SH glutathione.

THE EFFECT OF IRON COMPOUNDS ON THE OXYGEN CONSUMPTION OF TISSUES

The only instance in which the oxygen consumption of cells has been influenced by iron compounds is described by Warburg (14). He found that the addition of small amounts of ferrous ammonium

sulphate to a granulæ suspension of sea urchin eggs produced an acceleration of the oxygen uptake.

The low solubility of most iron compounds in neutral and slightly alkaline buffer solutions makes it possible that their inability to influence the oxygen consumption of cells might be due to the fact that they are not in true solution or can not penetrate into the cells. Hemin is not free from these objections, because its solubility is very low, near neutrality.

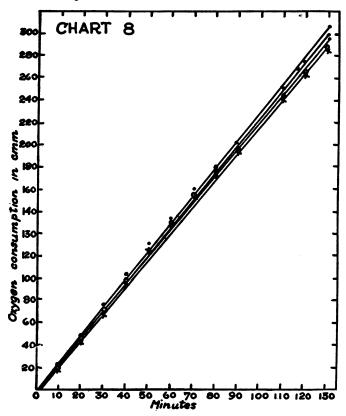


CHART 8.—The absence of influence of hemin on the oxygen consumption of Jensen sarcoma—0.3 gm. sarcoma in Locke's solution, no glucose. The curves represent sarcoma alone and sarcoma+hemin, M/5,000, M/10,000, and M/100,000, respectively

The addition of hemin² to rat tissues in no instance appreciably influenced the oxygen uptake, except that high concentrations in some experiments reduced the oxygen consumption, a fact which may be due to a toxic effect of hemin. Three experiments were done with testis and one with Jensen rat sarcoma in which hemin, in concentrations of M/2,000 to M/500,000, was present. (Chart 8.)

Five experiments were made with yeast in phosphate buffer at pH 7.84. In three of these, hemin in concentrations of M/5,000 caused

³ Strictly speaking, the hemin is present under these conditions as the sodium salt, i.e., hematin.

an oxygen uptake of 10 to 14 per cent above normal. In the two other experiments no increase was produced with this concentration of hemin. More dilute solutions were ineffective in all experiments.

Other iron compounds were employed in connection with the cyanide studies to be described later. In these experiments ferric sodium tartrate, ferrous ammonium sulphate, methemoglobin and oxyhemoglobin had no significant effect upon the O₂ consumption of rat testis.

These negative findings with iron compounds are not easily explained. It may be, as Warburg believes, that normally the substances

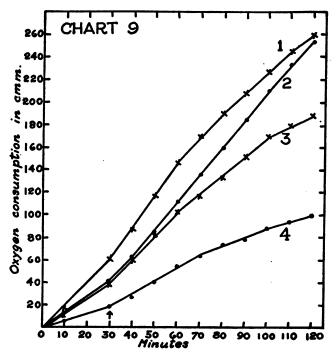


CHART 9.—The ability of an iron salt to counteract the effect of cyanide on rat testis. Locke's solution plus glucose in these and all subsequent experiments. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. testis+N/1,000 ferrous ammonium sulphate; Curve 2, testis alone; Curve 3, testis+N/1,000 ferrous ammonium sulphate, N/3,000 sodium cyanide added immediately after; Curve 4, testis+N/3,000 cyanide. Locke's solution+glucose. The increase in the oxygen uptake of the testis+iron over the control can be explained by the oxidation of the ferrous salt

which react with iron to form the respiration enzyme are not present in excess in cells; in which case the addition of hemin, ferrous ammonium sulphate, etc., would not be expected to increase the oxygen consumption. We believe, however, that at least two other factors are involved: First, the physical state of the added iron, which, as we have already pointed out, may prevent its penetration into the cells. Second, most living tissues possess a remarkable capacity to regulate the rate at which oxidations can proceed in cells and in their environ-

ment. Thus we have shown that a mixture of cysteine and hemin, which would completely oxidize in 30 minutes in Locke's solution, undergoes no appreciable oxidation for two hours in the presence of testis or rat sarcoma.

CYANIDE ACTION ON RESPIRATION. THE EFFECTS OF IRON AND GLU-TATHIONE ON CYANIDE INHIBITION

The studies by Warburg and his coworkers and by numerous other investigators have shown that with artificial models and buffer solutions, oxidative processes are inhibited by concentrations of cyanide so small that the action of cyanide must be on the minute quantities of heavy metal catalyst present. A similar mechanism of

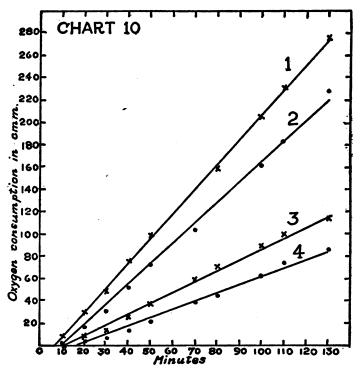


CHART 10.—The absence of antagonism between hemin and cyanide. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. testis; Curve 2, testis; N/2,000 hemin; Curve 3, testis; N/3,000 sodium cyanide; Curve 4, testis; N/2,000 hemin; N/3,000 cyanide added immediately after

cyanide action on living tissues was advocated by Warburg. The literature has been reviewed by Voegtlin, Johnson, and Dyer (15). Recently Dixon and Elliot (16) presented evidence that the O₂ consumption of mammalian tissues is not completely suppressed even by very high concentrations of cyanide. This conclusion has been rejected by Alt (17), who attributes the results of Dixon and Elliot to the use of media that are not physiologic to the tissues.

In previous experiments, Voegtlin, Johnson, and Dyer (15) found that, in the rat, death from a 1.5 minimum lethal dose of cyanide could be prevented by the intravenous injection of about five times this molar quantity of cysteine, cystine, glutathione, or thioglycollic acid. No effect was obtained from the injection of 0.2 to 2.2 molar quantity of iron salts. It was believed from these experiments that the sulphydril systems of the body play an important rôle in the toxic action of cyanide. Evidence in favor of such a view is the demonstration that cyanides increase the urinary excretion of thiocyanates. (For recent reference see R. G. Smith (18).)

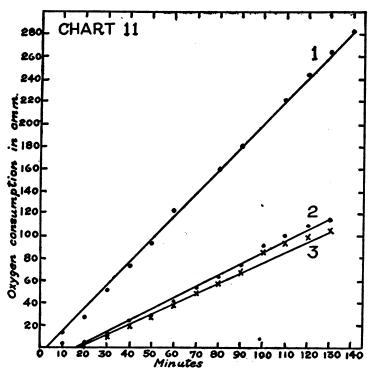


CHART 11.—The absence of antagonism between hemin and cyanide. Curve 1, 0.2 gm. testis+N/2,000 hemin; Curve 2, testis+N/2,000 cyanide; Curve 3, testis+a mixture of N/2,000 hemin with N/3,000 cyanide that had stood at 25° C. for two hours. The hemin and cyanide solutions used in Curves 1 and 2 were likewise made up two hours previous to their addition to the testis

We therefore have studied the effects of various iron compounds and of glutathione on the inhibition of oxygen consumption produced by sodium cyanide. With a concentration of ferrous ammonium sulphate (Mohr's salt) three times that of cyanide, the cyanide action could be partly prevented. In such an experiment on rat testis, at the end of two hours cyanide alone (N/3,000) produced an inhibition of oxygen uptake of 61.5 per cent, while cyanide plus the iron salt (N/1,000) produced an inhibition of only 27.5 per cent. (Chart 9.)

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In a similar experiment with sodium ferric tartrate the inhibition of oxygen consumption by N/3,000 cyanide alone was 67.6 per cent, while cyanide plus N/1,000 iron tartrate gave an inhibition of only 40 per cent.

Experiments with hemin show that this substance can not prevent the reduction in the rate of oxygen consumption produced by cyanide. We were unable to employ quite as high a ratio of iron to cyanide, because of the apparent toxicity of hemin, but a ratio of 1.5 hemin to 1 cyanide was ineffective in two experiments (Charts 10 and 11). That hemin can react with cyanide in vitro with the formation of cyanhematin, recognizable by a characteristic absorption-spectrum,

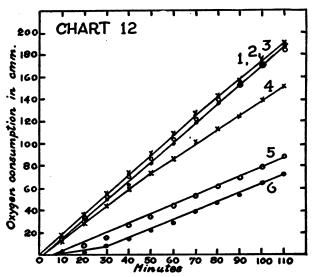


CHART 12.—The effects of methemoglobin and oxyhemoglobin on the action of cyanide. Curves 1, 2, and 3, 0.2 gm. rat testis, testis+N/2,000 methemoglobin, and testis+N/2,000 oxyhemoglobin; Curve 4, testis+N/2,000 methemoglobin, N/3,000 cyanide added immediately after; Curve 5, testis+N/2,000 oxyhemoglobin, N/3,000 cyanide added immediately after; Curve 6, testis+N/3,000 sodium cyanide. Very little antagonism from oxyhemoglobin; marked effect from methemoglobin

has been stated by Müller (19). The inability of hemin to overcome the cyanide action on tissues, therefore, can not be explained upon a basis of lack of combination of hemin with cyanide, unless the cyanide is easily dissociated from cyanhematin.

Another factor which may enter into this behavior of hemin is its low solubility at physiological pH. Methemoglobin and oxyhemoglobin are compounds of hemin and reduced hemin, respectively, and both are easily soluble in the physiological pH range. Furthermore, Zeynek (20) found that a crystalline cyanhemoglobin can be obtained readily by the addition of cyanide to methemoglobin. This reaction proceeds very rapidly. Oxyhemoglobin reacts much more

slowly with cyanide. Recently, Anson and Mirsky (21) subjected the action of cyanide upon globin hemochromogen to a detailed analysis; they showed that definite cyanide compounds are formed, depending upon the conditions. These facts made it desirable to study the theoretically possible antagonistic action of methemoglobin and oxyhemoglobin upon the effect of cyanide on the oxygen uptake of tissues. Chart 12 indicates that methemoglobin partly counteracts the cyanide effect upon testis and that oxyhemoglobin is much less effective. These results substantiate the evidence that the action of cyanide in the higher animals is primarily upon the tissues and not on the blood pigment.

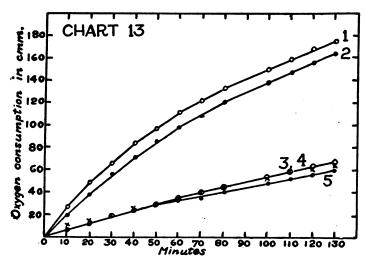


CHART 13.—The inability of S-S glutathione to influence the action of cyanide on oxygen consumption. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. rat testis+N/100 S-S glutathione; Curve 2, testis alone; Curve 3, testis+N/100 S-S glutathione, N/1,000 cyanide added immediately after; Curve 4, testis+N/1,000 cyanide, N/100 S-S glutathione added 40 minutes later; Curve 5, testis+N/1,000 cyanide

Experiments with glutathione revealed no effect on the inhibition of respiration by cyanide. Both oxidized and reduced glutathione were studied, added either before or after cyanide, to rat testes. The cyanide inhibition was not influenced by glutathione in a ratio of CN to SH of 1 to 10. (Charts 13 and 14.) An appreciable diminution in the cyanide effect can be obtained, however, by allowing a solution of cyanide and S-S glutathione to stand for two hours at room temperature before it is added to the tissue. (Chart 15.)

In view of the evident relation of sulphur compounds to the detoxication of cyanide in the animal body, it was of interest to study the action of compounds in which the cyanide radical is part of a complex ion or molecule. Doctor Johnson prepared, by the action

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of NaCN on cystine, a-amino- β -sulphocyanopropionic acid. Chart 16 shows the absence of any influence of this substance on the rate of oxygen consumption of testis.

Likewise, potassium sulphocyanate, in a concentration of N/1,000 did not inhibit the oxygen uptake of rat testes. Indeed, this compound caused a definite increase in rate of oxygen uptake with a maximum effect in concentrations of N/500 and N/1,000. (Chart 17.) Further studies are being carried out on this acceleration of oxygen consumption by sulphocyanate.

Potassium cyanate was without effect on the oxygen uptake of the testes (Chart 17), which agrees with the low toxicity, as we have previously shown (15) that KCN is more than thirty-two times as toxic for the rat as KCNO.

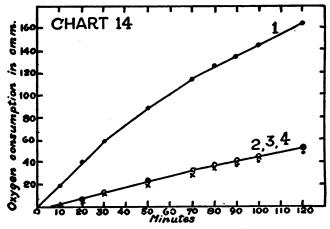


CHART 14.—The inability of SH-glutathione to influence the action of cyanide. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. rat testis; Curve 2, testis+N/100 SH-glutathione N/1,000 cyanide added immediately after; Curve 3, testis+N/1,000 cyanide, N/100 SH-glutathione added 30 minutes later; Curve 4, testis+N/1,000 cyanide

Our experiments demonstrating an antagonism between iron and cyanide are interesting because they represent the first instance of a biological antagonism. They are particularly significant because Voegtlin, Rosenthal, and Johnson (22) have shown that under similar conditions no such antagonism exists between arsenoxide and iron. On the other hand, glutathione was very effective against arsenoxide, while it is without effect on cyanide inhibition, unless the glutathione and cyanide are permitted to interact for several hours before addition to the tissues. In other words, a biological antagonism has been demonstrated between arsenoxide and glutathione and not between arsenoxide and iron, while cyanide was antagonized by certain iron compounds but not by glutathione except under special conditions.

MECHANISM OF THE CYANIDE ACTION

From a consideration of all the known facts concerning the action of cyanide upon living organisms, it will be obvious that the chemical action of this poison with the chemical components of the tissues is of a fairly complex nature. The following reactions may occur:

(1) Cyanide may react with the respiration enzyme to form a cyanide-enzyme complex, which no longer can function as biological oxidation catalyst; (2) cyanide may react with iron compounds

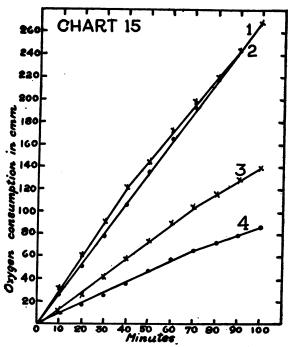


CHART 15.—The ability of S-S glutathione to diminish the action of cyanide if the solutions are mixed and allowed to stand for some time before addition to tissues. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. testis+a solution of S-S glutathione (N/200 final concentration) that had stood at 25° C. for two hours; Curve 2, testis alone; Curve 3, testis+a mixture of N/200 S-S glutathione with N/2,000 cyanide that had stood for two hours; Curve 4, testis+N/2,000 cyanide that had stood for two hours

other than the respiration enzyme with cyanide-iron complex formation; (3) cyanide may react with organic sulphur compounds, yielding cyanide complexes of much lower or qualitatively different physiological activity than cyanide.

It is reasonable to assume that the interaction between cyanide and the various components of organisms is governed at least partly by the relative chemical affinity of the cyanide for these chemical components, and partly by the relative masses of these chemical components actually present in the organisms.

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On chemical grounds it seems difficult to assume for instance that cyanide reacts exclusively with the respiration enzyme. Warburg (2) states that the amount of respiration enzyme in living cells is extremely small. For instance, 100 kilos of yeast contain only about 1 milligram. If we assume that the chemical affinity of cyanide for the respiration enzyme is of a reasonable order of magnitude, why is it that to suppress the oxygen consumption of tissues we must employ, according to Alt (17), for about 20 milligrams of tissue suspended in 2.5 c. c. of solution, a cyanide concentration of N/100? A simple calculation will reveal that under these conditions the amount of cyanide

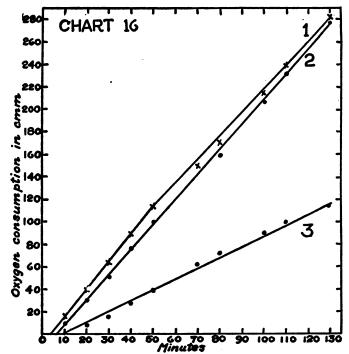


Chart 16.—The absence of toxic effect of a crystalline compound of cyanide and cysteine on oxygen consumption. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. testis+N/3,000 α-amino-β-sulphocyano-proprionic acid; Curve 2, testis alone; Curve 3, testis+N/3000 sodium cyanide

is enormous compared with the amount of respiration enzyme. It is difficult to explain this result on the assumption that the cyanide reacts very slowly on living organisms. All the known pharmacological and biochemical data speak for a very rapid action. We are therefore forced to conclude that cyanide reacts not only with the respiration enzyme, but with other iron compounds and also with sulphur compounds of living organisms. Whether the cyanide effect on the oxygen consumption of tissues is entirely due to the chemical action of cyanide upon the respiration enzyme is still a problem which has not been conclusively solved. The specificity of the action of CO on the

respiration enzyme rests on a much firmer foundation of experimental facts. Furthermore, it is evident that the detoxication of cyanide by living organisms involves chemical reactions of cyanide with such

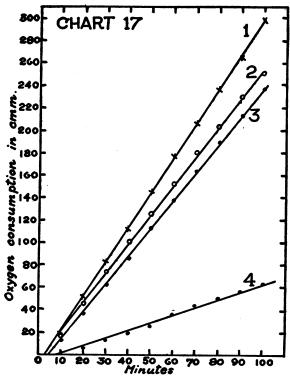


CHART 17.—The nontoxicity of potassium cyanate and potassium sulphocyanate. Curve 1, 0.3 gm. testis+N/1,000 KCNS; Curve 2, testis+N/1,000 KCNO; Curve 3, testis alone; Curve 4, testis+N/1,000 NaCN. A slight acceleration of oxygen consumption resulted from the addition of the sulphocyanate

substances as glutathione (and possibly cysteine, cystine, and sulphur-containing proteins) and iron compounds other than the respiration enzyme.

CONCLUSIONS

- 1. Glutathione, either in the oxidized or reduced form, when added to various tissues or to yeast cells, does not accelerate the rate of oxygen consumption.
- 2. Under the conditions of these experiments, rat liver, brain, testicle, Jensen sarcoma, and chicken erythrocytes, are able to keep SH glutathione in the reduced state. The addition of considerable quantities of cysteine and iron to these tissues does not overcome this property. Cysteine is also kept reduced by these tissues, even in the presence of added iron.
- 3. Rat kidney permits the slow oxidation of glutathione and cysteine.

- 4. Blood serum causes a marked acceleration in the rate of oxidation of glutathione.
- 5. Hemin, sodium ferric tartrate, or ferrous ammonium sulphate cause no acceleration of the oxygen consumption of rat tissues or yeast cells.
- 6. Methemoglobin, sodium ferric tartrate, and ferrous ammonium sulphate are able to prevent part of the inhibition of oxygen uptake caused by sodium cyanide. Oxyhemoglobin is less effective, while hemin shows no effect.
- 7. Neither oxidized nor reduced glutathione influence the inhibition of respiration by cyanide. However, a slight antagonism can be demonstrated if S-S glutathione and cyanide are allowed to react for a considerable time before they are added to the tissue.
- 8. Potassium cyanate and a crystalline compound, obtained from cystine and cyanide (α -amino- β -sulphopropionic acid), do not inhibit the oxygen consumption of rat testes. Potassium sulphocyanate causes a slight increase in the rate of oxygen consumption of rat testes.
- 9. The significance of these results with respect to the mechanism of the action of cyanide upon living cells has been discussed.

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COURT DECISION RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH

Ordinance prohibiting slaughterhouses in city upheld.—(Texas Court of Civil Appeals; Sitterle, Mayor, et al. v. Victoria Cold Storage Co., 33 S. W. (2d) 546; decided Oct. 22, 1930; rehearing denied Dec. 17, 1930.) The city of Victoria, by ordinance, prohibited the use in the city of establishments for the slaughtering of cattle, hogs, sheep, goats, turkeys, chickens, ducks, geese, and other poultry, and declared places used for slaughtering to be nuisances. A penalty for the maintenance of such a nuisance was prescribed. By statute the city had the power to "abate and prohibit within the city limits slaughtering establishments," to "define all nuisances and prohibit the same within the city," and "to abate and remove nuisances and to punish the authors thereof by fine." At the time that the ordinance was enacted, the appellee operated a poultry slaughterhouse in the city. In a proceeding questioning the validity of the ordinance, the trial court held the ordinance to be void upon its face and by its own terms as a matter of law, refusing to hear any evidence in the case touching upon the questions of the location or manner or effect of operating appellee's slaughterhouse or of the reasonableness of or necessity for the ordinance. The court of civil appeals, in reversing the judgment of the lower court, pointed out that the legislature had delegated to the city the express power to prohibit and abate the operation of slaughtering establishments within the city, and then proceeded to sav:

The power being expressly granted by the legislature, the time for assuming and the manner of exercising it rest within the sound discretion of the governing board of the municipality. Under such authority, the board may determine the questions of the necessity of exercising the power, and of the method of giving effect thereto, and its determination of those questions is final and conclusive, and may not be revised by the courts, in the absence of clear and conclusive evidence that the board had acted arbitrarily and without reason. And in such situation the burden rests upon those aggrieved to make such showing. * * *

* * The presumption of law is that the council acted timely and reasonably, and its action can not be questioned by the courts, unless it appears conclusively that it acted arbitrarily and without the semblance of reason.

The court held that the ordinance was "valid upon its face" and could "be stricken down through the courts only by a clear and conclusive showing that the city council had exceeded its discretion under expressly granted powers" and had "acted arbitrarily and without reason."

DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 14, 1931

Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for the week ended February 14, 1931, and corresponding week of 1930. (From the Weekly Health index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)

Commerce)	Week ended February 14, 1931	Correspond- ing week, 1930
Policies in force	. 75, 151, 201	75, 472, 681
Number of death claims	. 15, 397	13, 971
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate	. 10. 7	9. 7

Deaths from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended February 14, 1931, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1930. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)

[The rates published in this summary are based upon mid-year population estimates derived from the 1930 census]

	Wee	k ended	Feb. 14,	1931		ponding , 1930	Death rate 1 for the first 7 weeks	
City	Total deaths	Death rate 3	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mor- tality rate 3	Death rate ³	Deaths under 1 year	1931	1930
Total (81 cities)	9, 585	14.0	894	4 71	13. 4	832	14.2	13. 2
AkronAlbanysAtlanta	43 56 75	8.7 22.6 14.1	5 3 8	49 59 82	9. 6 17. 6 20. 9	8 8 14	8. 4 15. 3 16. 2	9. 0 16. 6 17. 6
White	41 34 304 230	(6) 19. 5	4 4 18 13	63 115 61 56	(6) 15. 4	7 7 14 10	(f) 17. 9	(6) 4 15.
Colored Birmingham White	74 62 30	(6) 12.0	5 4 2	78 40 34	(6) 13. 4	4 7 2	(0) 14. 7	(0) 14. 3
ColoredBostonBridgeport	32 305 32	(6) 20. 3 11. 3	25 25 3	49 71 50	(6) 16. 8 14. 9	5 35 5	(6) 17. 9 14. 0	(9) 15. 6 14. 4
BuffaloCambridgeCamden	176 41 38 29	15. 8 18. 7 16. 7 14. 2	18 1 3	74 20 52	12. 9 17. 0 12. 7 10. 9	20 6 7	14. 7 15. 0 18. 7	14. 1 14. 3 14. 6
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Columbus Dallas White	81 68 52	14. 3 13. 0	6 10 7	59	12.5 12.9	8 9 7	14. 2 12. 8	14. 8 13. 9
Colored Dayton Denver	16 50 86	(9) 12. 6 15. 4	3 5 5	70 48	(6) 11. 1 13. 9	2 2 7	(6) 13. 0 16. 1	(6) 10. 6 15. 3
Des Moines	37 369 14	13. 3 11. 6 7. 2	50 3	70 80 74	11. 3 10. 1 10. 3	0 55 3	12.7 9.1 11.6	13. 5 10. 2 11. 7
El Paso Erie Fall River * 7 Flint	30 33 36 15	14. 9 14. 6 16. 3 4. 8	3 3 7 3	56 159 38	24. 3 12. 6 13. 6 10. 6	13 3 4 8	21. 1 11. 1 13. 2 7. 5	20. 3 11. 9 13. 1 9. 8
Fort Worth White Colored Grand Rapids	27 18 9 29	8. 4 (6) 8. 8	1 1 0 2	30	(6) 13. 6	4 4 0 4	11. 9 (6) 9. 8	13, 0
Houston White Colored	73 41 32	12. 3 	4 3 1		12. 7 (6) 17. 4	6 3 3	12. 2 (6) 15. 0	13. 3 (6) 16. 9
Indianapolis White Colored	120 93 27	(6)	9 8 1	74 75 67	17. 4 (9) 16. 3	1 1 0	(6)	(6)
Jersey City Kansas City, Kans White	85 38 32	1á. 9 16. 1	13 5 5	115 103 123	11.5	13 3 3 0	14. 6 15. 9	12.9
Colored	130 26 17	(6) 16. 6 12. 4	0 12 5 4	0 91 107 95	14. 4 19. 1	13 4 4	(6) 15. 0 14. 1	(6) 14. 3 15. 0
Colored Long Beach Los Angeles Louisville	9 37 257 85	(6) 12. 7 10. 2 14. 4	1 1 25 13	204 24 73 111	(6) 4.7 11.0 16.8	0 0 19 6	(6) 11. 5 12. 7 17. 4	(6) 10. 7 12. 7 15. 0
White	67 18	(6)	10	98 199	(6)	5 1	(0)	(9)

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Deathel from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended February 14, 1931, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1930—Continued.

	Wee	k ended	Feb. 14	, 1931	Corres week	ponding , 1930	Death the first	rate ¹ for 7 weeks
City	Total deaths	Death rate ²	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mor- tality rate ³	Death rate ²	Deaths under 1 year	1931	1930
Lowell 7Lynn	27 21	14.0 10.7	4	102 26	15. 0 14. 3	3 3	15, 1 13, 3	14.6 12.5
Memphis White	47 23	9. 5	5	53 33	20.7	5	17. 2	17. 3
Colored	24	(6) 15. 8	2 3	87	(6)	3	(9)	(9) 12.7
Miami White White	34 29	15. 8	1	25 35	ì2.2	2 3 2 2 0	14.0	12.7
Colored	5	(0)	0	0	(6)		(5) 10. 4	(9)
Milwaukee Minneapolis	145 117	(f) 12.8 12.9	19 11	82 71	10.8 10.2	19 9	10. 4 12. 5	10.6 11.8
Nashville	45	15.1	6	89	15. 6	4	16.8	17.0
White	28 17 37		2	40		2		
Colored New Bedford 7	37	(6) 17. 1	4 2	236 53	(6) 10. 2	2 2	(6) 13. 8	(9) 11. 5
Hew Haven New Orleans	37 181	11. 9 20. 2	2 15	38 82	12. 5 20. 5	2 20	13. 1 21. 2	15. 0 20. 5
White	99		13	66	20. 5	5		20.5
Colored New York	82	(6) 12. 8	7	114	(9)	15 146	(6) 14. 5	(9)
Bronx Borough	1, 739 220	9.0	178 22	66 50	12.0 8.0	13	10.4	11. 9 8. 4
Brooklyn Borough	629	12.5	22 58 61	61	11.1	56	13. 7	11.0
Manhattan Borough Queens Borough	656 186	18. 8 8. 4	15	104 41	17. 7 8. 5	59 13	21. 7 9. 8	17. 8 7. 9
Queens Borough Richmond Borough Newark, N. J	38	12.1	2	36	17.0	5	14.4	14.9
Oakland	134 46	15. 7 8. 2	14	73 51	16. 5 10. 8	12	14.9 12.1	14. 5 12. 8
Oklahoma City	41	10.9	7	97	12.5	3	11. 5	10. 1
Omaha Paterson	59 40	14. 2 15. 0	4	45 69	14. 3 15. 4	1 2	15. 3 15. 3	14. 6 12. 8
Philadelphia.	€02	16.0	57	83	14.8	61	16.8	13. 5
Pittsburgh Portland, Oreg	262 69	20. 2 11. 7	40 5	138 61	16. 9 16. 2	22	17. 3 13. 2	15.3 14.9
Providence	85	17.4	7	65	15.0	4	15.7	15.8
Richmond	(0 36	17. 0	6	87 66	17. 1	2	17. 7	16. 5
Colored	24	(6)	3 3 8	130	(8)	1	(6)	(9) 12.1
Rochester St. Louis	97 382	15. 2 24. 1	8 39	73 131	13. 5 16. 8	11	13. 4 18. 1	12. 1 15. 1
St. Paul	51	9.6	5	₹2	10. 7		10.7	11. 9
Salt Lake City 5	28	10. 2	.1	15	14.1	3 7	13.3	14.4
San Diego	41	13. 0 13. 7	11 2	41	17. 7 17. 1	2	15. 7 16. 7	20. 2 16. 5
San Francisco	144	11.6	9	00	12.8	4	14.5	14. 5
Seattle	18 79	9.8 11.1	1 5	29 47	9.8	0	10. 5 12. 5	10. 3 11. 6
Somerville.	29 22	14.4	3	112	14.5	0	11.4	12.9
South BendSpokane	23	10. 6 10. 3	5	125 78	7. 9 15. 8	2	7. 9 13. 3	9. 2 13. 5
Spokane Springfield, Mass Syracuse	45	15.4	3	46	15.3	. 4	14.3	14.8
Tacoma.	56 27	13. 7 13. 1	10	119 103	12. 7 15. 1	5	13. 4 14. 7	13. 2 12. 2
Toledo	82	14.5	5	46	15.2	5 i	12.7	14.2
TrentonUtica.	42 28	17. 7 14. 3	5 1	87 26	22.8 10.8	9	19. 9 16. 2	18. 0 14. 9
UticaWashington D. C	177	18.7	7 1	39	15.9	11	18.7	16. 2
White	122 - 55 -		2 5	16 - 86 -	(6)	5 -	(6)	·····
Waterbury Wilmington, Del. 7	24	12.4	2	60	12.0	3	11.4	(*) 10. 6
Wilmington, Del. 7	55 57	26. 9 15. 1	2	43	23. 5 20. 0		17.3	16. 3
Yonkers	27	10.1	6	14 157	11.5	10	16. 0 11. 3	14. 7 9. 1
Youngstown	39	11.8	4	56	12.2	3	10.9	10. 9

Deaths of nonresidents are included. Stillbirths are excluded.
 These rates represent annual rates per 1,000 population, as estimated for 1931 and 1930 by the arithmetical periods. metical method.

Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 live births. Cities left blank are not in the registration area for births.

Data for 76 cities.

<sup>Data for 76 cities.
Deaths for week ended Friday.
For the cities for which deaths are shown by color, the percentage of colored population in 1920 was as follows: Atlanta, 31; Baltimore, 15; Birmingham, 39; Dallas, 15; Fort Worth, 14; Houston, 25; Indianapolis, 11; Kansas City, Kans., 14; Knoxville, 15; Louisville, 17; Memphis, 38; Miami, 31; Nashville, 30; New Orleans, 26; Richmond, 32; and Washington, D. C., 25.
Population Apr. 1, 1930; decreased 1920 to 1930, no estimate made.</sup>

PREVALENCE OF DISEASE

No health department, State or local, can effectively prevent or control disease without knowledge of when, where, and under what conditions cases are occurring

UNITED STATES

CURRENT WEEKLY STATE REPORTS

These reports are preliminary, and the figures are subject to change when later returns are received by the State health officers

Reports for Weeks Ended February 21, 1931, and February 22, 1930

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended February 21, 1931, and February 22, 1930

	Diph	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles		ococcus ngitis
Division and State	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930
New England States: Maine New Hampshire Vermont Massachusetts Rhode Island Connecticut	56 2 12	3 1 2 75 18 20	105 4 130 6 105	26 4 6	23 42 9 579 1 414	10 36 7 447 3 13	0 0 0 3 0	0 0 0 3 0 2
Middle Atlantic States: New York New Jersey Pennsylvania	115 65 94	130 86 161	1 180 123	1 39 15	983 815 2, 254	575 445 781	18 1 13	17 7 14
East North Central States: Ohio	27 34 124 37 21	28 38 171 67 15	95 74 273 269 152	19 25 17 21	184 699 1, 291 137 260	515 29 674 482 951	4 7 9 4 1	3 23 6 20 5
West North Central States: Minnesota Iowa Missouri North Dakota South Dakota Nebraska Kansas	14 7 37 13 10 12 20	13 12 48 1 1 24 11	206 2 2 2 107	17	873 16 15 1 1	292 732 112 59 107 484 437	1 4 8 0 0 2 3	1 2 16 2 1 8
South Atlantic States: Delaware Maryland ¹ District of Columbia. West Virginia. North Carolina. South Carolina. Georgia. Florida ³	2 31 4 11 31 13 6 7	3 25 21 4 37 11 8 12	41 702 12 166 395 4, 191 1, 596 133	35 28 36 985 92 5	27 480 84 66 466 164 88 190	21 16 15 58 14 146 76	0 2 2 2 6 4 2 1	0 1 0 2 9 3 3

New York City only.
 Week ended Friday.
 Typhus fever, 1931: 2 cases, 1 case in Florida, and 1 case in Alabama.

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended February 21, 1931, and February 28, 1930—Continued

	•	-		•	•			
	Dipl	theria	Infl	ienza	Ме	asles	Mening meni	rococcus ngitis
Division and State	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1939
East South Central States: Kentucky Tennessee Alabama Missispipi. West South Central States:	. 41	16 27 16	31 416 350	133 120	150 96 497	205 167	10 2 7 5	6 13 3 22
Arkansas Louisiana Oklahoma 4 Texas Mountain States:	71 19	5 9 23 39	208 159 257 70	80 38 177 292	15 32 161	9 118 224 143	1 3 0 0	2 4 5 1
Montana Idaho Wyoming Colorado New Mexico Arizona Utah ¹	. 5	1 2 2 12 22 9	6 3 10 10	5 14 1	5 1 3 133 48 222 2	25 22 13 170 110 2 160	1 1 2 2 4 2	0 2 0 3 1 5 5
Pacific States: Washington Oregon. California	5 15 53	14 7 69	26 513	80 31	50 78 996	193 24 1, 151	0 0 6	5 0 9
	Poliomyelitis Scarlet fever		Sma	llpox	Typhoi	d fever		
Division and State	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930
New England States: Maine New Hampshire Vermont Massachusetts Rhode Island Connecticut	0 0 0	0 0 0 1 0	40 3 1 399 24 55	60 19 8 256 39 131	0 0 1 0 0	0 0 4 0 0	1 0 0 4 4 1	2 0 0 2 0
Middle Atlantic States: New York New Jersey Pennsylvania East North Central States:	3 0 1	2 1 0	836 299 646	461 223 546	13 0 0	1 0 0	7 2 25	16 0 18
Ohio	1 0 0 0	2 0 2 1 1	293 346 465 463 143	284 261 604 305 145	54 108 52 26 7	175 144 113 62 36	6 1 2 5 2	8 2 4 3 3
Minnesota Iowa Missouri North Dakota South Dakota Nebraska Kansas South Atlantic States:	0 0 0 0 0 1	1 0 0 1 0 0	97 167 328 41 15 51 80	131 103 135 28 23 103 158	6 62 45 2 36 44 116	5 80 76 15 39 67 68	2 1 2 1 1 1 3	3 1 1 0 0 0
Delaware. Maryland ² District of Columbia. West Virginia. North Carolina. South Carolina. Georgia. Florida ³ ² Week ended Friday.	0 0 0 0 0 1	1 0 0 0 1 0	30 97 14 27 65 22 72 10	16 113 24 45 56 12 6	0 0 18 2 5 0	0 0 0 15 16 1 0	0 1 1 2 2 0 0 3	0 2 0 5 2 16 1

Week ended Friday.
 Typhus fever, 1931: 2 cases; 1 case in Florida, and 1 case in Alabama.
 Figures for 1931 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended February 21, 1931, and February 22, 1930—Continued

	Poliomyelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpox		Typhoid fever	
Division and State		Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930	Week ended Feb. 21, 1931	Week ended Feb. 22, 1930
Lest South Central States:								
Kentucky	0	0	104	62	8	14	0	٥
Tennessee.	Õ	li	45	22	6	15	2	Š
Alabama ¹	3	1	35	15	12	13	15	ĺ
Mississippi	0	0	24	55	9	2	4	1 1
West South Central States:	_	1	1	1	_	1 -	_	-
Arkansas	1	0	24	17	18	14	6	5
Louisiana	2	0	26	20	21	11	8	12 7
Oklahoma 4	1	0	23	46	70	150	2	7
Texas	0	0	18	43	28	118	4	9
Mountain States:						i i		1
Montana	0	0	62	29		2	1	2
Idaho	0	0	11	5	0	2	4	1
Wyoming	0	0	22	15	4	16	0	0
Colorado	0	0	43	28	6	24	2	1
New Mexico	0	0	9	26	7	2	2	0
Arizona.	0	0	4	9	2	18	1	10
Utah 1	0	0	21	6	0	1	0	1
Pacific States:								
Washington	0	0	57	50	22	82	4	14
Oregon	2	0	20	58	20	28	θ	1
California	Ř		122	263	68	97	10	7

SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS FROM STATES

The following summary of monthly State reports is published weekly and covers only those States from which reports are received during the current week:

Colorado	State	Menin- goood- cus menin- gitis	Diph- theria	Influ- enza	Ma- laria	Mea- sles	Pel- lagra	Polio- mye- litis	Scarlet fever	Small- pex	Ty- phoid fever
Hawaii Territory	December, 1950										
Colorado 11 36 3 344 1 1 201 60 Illinois 40 665 815 4 3,052 21 2,126 211 2 Louisiana 17 142 427 23 10 32 3 104 38 2 Maine 16 58 112 9 106 0 1 Maryland 2 112 4,905 1 879 1 1 407 0 11 Missouri 27 272 300 3 6,002 10 987 190 28 New Hampshire 19 17 4 1,715 0 1,064 0 18 New Merico 5 21 8 1 202 2 1 38 8 New York 84 553	Hawaii Territory	3 1	76 26 2	23	17		2	Ī.	58 3 3	1	7 6 0
Illinois	January, 1931	-									
Maryland 2 112 4,905 1 879 1 1 407 0 1 Minesota 12 62 2 133 6 288 44 11 Missouri 27 272 272 300 8 6,002 10 987 190 2 New Hampshire 16 17	Illinois Louisiana	40	665 142	815 427		3, 032 10		3	2, 126 104	211 38	7 23 24
New Jersey 24 281 2,086 1 1,715 0 1,064 0 16 New Mexico 5 21 8 1 202 2 1 38 8 8 1 10 2,880 29 38 10 2,980 29 38 10 2,880 29 38 10 326 11 10 2,880 29 38 10 326 11 10 2,880 29 38 11 10	Maryland Minnesota Missouri	2 12 27	112 62 272	4, 905 2 300		879 133	1	1 6 10	407 288 987	0 44 190	16 12 26
North Carolina 8 169 2,006 1,506 68 5 326 11 16 Ohio 25 292 159 1 867 1 15 2,345 388 42 Oregon 1 26 204 380 380 3 95 99	New Jersey New Mexico	5	281 21	2,086	1	202	2	0 1	1, 064 38	0 8	3 1 0 8
Oregon 380 3 95 99	North Carolina Ohio	8	169 292	159	i	526 867	68 1	5 15	326 2, 345	388	16 42
West Virginia 3 74 429 152 227 65 3	Porto Rico	1	35	91	3, 674	15	1	3			28 38

Week ended Friday.
 Typhus fever, 1931: 2 cases; 1 case in Florida, and 1 case in Alabama.
 Figures for 1931 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

December, 1930		Filariasis:	Char
Ohicken pox:	Cases	Porto Rico	
Florida	. 57	Food poisoning:	
Hawaii Territory	. 4	Ohlo	
Nevada	. 1	German measles:	
Conjunctivitis:		Colorado	
Hawaii Territory	. 16	Illinois	
Dysentery:		Maine	
Florida	. 8		-
Hawaii Territory (amebic)		Maryland	
		New Jersey	
Hookworm disease:		New York	
Hawaii Territory	. 14	North Carolina	
Leprosy:		Ohio	. 3
Hawaii Territory	. 6	Hookworm disease:	
Lethargic encephalitis:		Louisiana	. :
Florida	. 1	Impetigo contagiosa:	
Mumps:		Colorado	. :
Florida	23	Maryland.	
Hawaii Territory		Oregon	
Nevada		Jaundice:	•
Tetanus:	_	Colorado	
Hawaii Territory	. 5		
		Maryland	2
Trachoma:		Lead poisoning:	_
Hawaii Territory	4	Illinois	14
Typhus fever:	_	New Jersey	1
Florida	1	Ohio	7
Whooping cough:		Lethargic encephalitis:	
Florida	32	Illinois	4
Hawaii Territory	18	Louisiana	ŧ
		Maine	1
January, 1931		Maryland	,
•••		New Jersey	
Actinomycosis:		New Mexico.	,
Colorado	1	*****	
Anthrax:		New York	16
New Jersey		Ohio	4
New York	1	Oregon	2
Chicken pox:		Mumps:	
Colorado	444	Colorado	163
Illinois	1, 785	Illinois	1, 433
Louisiana	50	Louisiana	11
Maine	396	Maine	380
Maryland	1,040	Maryland	147
Minnesota	675	Missouri	89
Missouri	583	New Jersey	154
New Jersey		New Mexico	77
New Mexico	83	New York	
		Ohio.	962
New York			
North Carolina		Oregon	344
Ohio		Porto Rico	7
Oregon	247	Ophthalmia neonatorum:	
Porto Rico	12	Colorado	1
West Virginia	276	Illinois	6
Conjunctivitis:	- 1	Maryland	1
Illinois	1	Missouri	4
Maine	2	New Jersey	10
Dengue:	ı	New Mexico	2
Porto Rico	2	New York	7
	-	Ohio	79
Dysentery:	10	Porto Rico.	4
Illinois			*
Illinois (amebic)	1	Paratyphoid fever:	_
Louisiana	6	Maine	1
Maine	1	New York	2
Maryland	1	Ohio	1
Minnesota (amebic)	9	Porto Rico	8
New York	10	Puerperal septicemia:	
Ohio	2	Illinois	5
Porto Rico	20	Louisiana	12

Puerperal septicemia—Continued.	Cases	Tularaemia:	Cases
New York	. 13	Illinois	. 47
Ohio		Louisiana	. 5
Porto Rico		Maryland	
Rabies in animals:		Minnesota	
Louisiana	. 13	Missouri	
Maryland	4	Ohio	
Missouri		Typhus fever:	
New York	-	Maryland	. 2
	. 10	North Carolina	
Scables:	_	Undulant fever:	_
Maryland		Illinois	. 5
Oregon	. 23	Louisiana	
Septic sore throat:		Minnesota	
Illinois	. 4	Missouri	
Louisiana	. 3	New Jersey	
Maine	. 1	New York	
Maryland	. 10	Ohio	
Missouri		Vincent's angina:	•
New York	. 33	Colorado	1
North Carolina	. 12	Illinois	
Ohio	127	Maine	
Oregon.		Maryland	
Tetanus:		New Mexico	
Illinois	. 1	New York 1	72
Louisiana		Oregon	11
Maryland	_	Whooping cough:	11
New Jersey		Colorado	153
New York	_	Illinois	578
Porto Rico.		Louisiana	75
Tetanus (infantile):		Maine	£03
Porto Rico	25	Maryland	145
Trachoma:	20	Minnesota	147
Illinois	5	Missouri	114
Missouri		New Jersey	699
		New Mexico	29
New Jersey	-	New York	
New Mexico			•
New York	-	North Carolica	374
North Carolina	_	Obio	413
Ohio	4	Oregon	40
Trichinosis:		Porto Rico	155
New York	18	West Virginia	209

RECIPROCAL NOTIFICATIONS

Notifications regarding communicable diseases sent during the month of January, 1931, by departments of health of certain States to other State health departments

Disease	Califor- nia	Connect- icut	Illinois	Kansas	Massa- chusetts	Minne- sota	New York	Wash- ington
DiphtheriaLeprosy						1	1	
Measles		1					1	
Scarlet fever Smallpox Syphilis		1		13		<u>2</u>	3	
Tuberculosis Typhoid fever Undulant fever	1		17		1	2 1	1	
Oliversity 10 total								

¹ Exclusive of New York City.

GENERAL CURRENT SUMMARY AND WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

The 97 cities reporting cases used in the following table are situated in all parts of the country and have an estimated aggregate population of more than 33,185,000. The estimated population of the 90 cities reporting deaths is more than 31,640,000. The estimated expectancy is based on the experience of the last nine years, excluding epidemics.

Weeks ended February 14, 1931, and February 15, 1930

	1931	1930	Estimated expectancy
Cases reported			
Diphtheria:			l
45 States	1, 113	1, 393	
97 cities	420	592	840
Measles:			l
45 States97 cities.	11, 387	10, 516	
	3, 331	2, 558	
Meningococcus meningitis:	142	285	
47 States	73	100	
97 cities		100	
46 States	30	24	l
Scarlet fever:	•	21	
46 States	5, 848	5, 137	Ι.
97 cities	2,210	1, 893	1, 551
Smallpox:	7,0	2,000	1 -, 002
46 States	943	1, 605	
97 cities	117	164	57
Typhoid fever:			
46 States	123	187	
97 cities	21	35	27
Deaths reported	1		·
	I		
Influenza and pneumonia:			,
90 cities	1, 699	1, 129	
Smallpox:	_ 1		
90 cities	0	G.	

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931

The "estimated expectancy" given for diphtheria, poliomyelitis, scarlet fever, smallpox, and typhoid fever is the result of an attempt to ascertain from previous occurrence the number of cases of the disease under consideration that may be expected to occur during a certain week in the absence of epidemics. It is based on reports to the Public Health Service during the past nine years. It is in most instances the median number of cases reported in the corresponding weeks of the preceding years. When the reports include several epidemics, or when for other reasons the median is unsatisfactory, the epidemic periods are excluded, and the estimated expectancy is the mean number of cases reported for the week during nonepidemic years.

If the reports have not been received for the full nine years, data are used for as many years as possible, but no year earlier than 1922 is included. In obtaining the estimated expectancy, the figures are smoothed when necessary to avoid abrupt deviation from the usual trend. For some of the diseases given in the table the available data were not sufficient to make it practicable to compute the estimated expectancy.

		Diphtheria		Influ	lenza				
Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Cases, estimated expect- ancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported	Measies, cases re- ported	Mumps, cases re- ported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported	
NEW ENGLAND									
Maine: Portland New Hampshire:	20	1	0	13	0	0	7	2	
Concord Vermont:	0	0	0		0	0	0	2	
Barre Burlington	0	0 1	0		. 0	0	0	0	

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931—Continued

			heria.	Influ	enza			
Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Cases, estimated expect- ancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported	Measies, cases re- ported	Mumps, cases re- ported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported
NEW ENGLAND— continued								-
Massachusetts: Boston	80 2 7 7	37 4 4 3	16 1 0 5	76 2 3	7 0 2 1	62 0 0 5	11 15 11 6	66 4 6 5
Rhode Island: Pawtucket Providence	5 8	1 9	17	21	0 5	2 1	1 0	3 16
Connecticut: Bridgeport Hartford New Haven 1	4 11 14	5 6 1	0 1 0	22 14 5	1 3 0	1 72 79	3 1 14	4 8 5
MIDDLE ATLANTIC								
New York: Buffalo New York Rochester Syracuse New Jersey:	32 208 9 32	13 200 7 2	6 74 2 2	7 179 18	2 49 0 0	78 354 1 15	60 37 4 0	33 308 11 4
Camden Newark Trenton	6 89 7	7 18 2	2 5 1	5 41 43	4 2 2	108 7 0	1 6 2	7 21 3
Pennsylvania: Philadelphia Pittsburgh Reading	157 58 12	6 22 2	17 10 0	59 23	35 15 0	151 65 110	35 25 43	89 85 7
EAST NORTH CENTRAL								
Ohio: Cincinnati Cleveland Columbus Toledo	16 152 21 44	8 33 3 5	2 7 4 4	5 400 2 3	3 8 4 1	82 3 5 2	30 116 2 16	11 29 11 10
Indiana: Fort Wayne Indianapolis South Bend Terre Haute	2 46 0 4	3 8 2 1	3 11 2 0		0 3 0 1	34 33 0 0	0 7 0 0	9 24 2 3
Illinois: Chicago Springfield	104 17	99 1	81 0	\$8 4	54 0	44 59	65 0	130 2
Michigan: Detroit Flint	96 21 9	48 2 1	29 0 0	150 19 3	11 1 0	5 0 0	24 10 1	52 3 2
Kenosha Madison Milwaukee Racine Superior	19 43 115 8 27	1 1 17 2 1	0 9 1 0	17 16 2	7 0 0	1 3 30 5 0	16 34 287 0 0	1 78 0 3
West north central								
Minnesota: Duluth Minneapolis St. Paul	11 71 63	0 19 6	0 1 0	12	0 2 2	0 35 1	3 76 1	1 13 3
Iowa: Davenport Des Moines Sioux City Waterloo	1 1 18 1	1 2 1 0	0 0 0	0		0 0 1 0	0 2 13 0	1
Missouri: Kansas City St. Joseph St. Louis	63 6 19	5 1 41	5 2 14	8 37	3 1 11	84 1 561	1 0 15	21 1

¹ The report of 4 cases of diphtheria in New Haven, Conn., for the week ended Jan. 17, 1931 (Public Health Reports, Feb. 6, 1931, p. 307) is erroneous. No case of diphtheria occurred in New Haven during that week.

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931—Continued

		Dipht	beria	Inf	luenza			1_
Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	estimated	Cases reported	Cases rep orted	Deaths reported	Measles, cases re- parted	Mumps, cases re- ported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported
WEST NORTH CENTRAL—continued								
North Dakota: Fargo Grand Forks South Dakota:	8 2	0	0	1	0	1 0	10 5	2
Aberdeen Sioux Falls	1 0	0 1	0			2	0	
Nebraska: Omaha	15	5	5		. 0	0	1	1
Kansas: Topeka	26	2	1		ا	3	17	0
Wichita	14	4	1		. 0	0	0	0
SOUTH ATLANTIC Delaware:								
Wilmington Maryland:	2	2	1		. 2	12	0	12
Baltimore Cumberland	180	25	13	282	17	361	20	62
Frederick	0	0	0	9	8	5	0	• 0
District of Columbia: Washington Virginia:	46	19	5	15	8	48	0	. 28
Lynchburg Norfolk	20	1	0		2	2	1	1
Richmond	7	1 4	0 1		0 7	233	0	0
Roanoke	2	1	2		0	0	0	I
Charleston Wheeling	6 12	0	0	3	. 0	0	4 0	0
North Carolina: Raleigh	3	1	0		2	13	0	3
Wilmington Winston-Salem	13 7	0	1 0	4 16	0 1	1 0	0	4 7
South Carolina: Charleston	5	0	4	310	4	73	8	13
Columbia	1	0	1		0	1	4	21
Georgia:	1	0	0		0	1	1	
Atlanta Brunswick	5	0	1	668	10	54 0	0 14	11 1
Savannah Florida:	. 1	1	1	66	6	Ŏ	8	5
Miami	14	2	3	5	3	1	0	0
St. Petersburg Tampa	6	0 -	0	2	0	117	4	3
BAST SOUTH CENTRAL	l	ł	į				ļ	
Kentucky: Covington	اه	1	اه	1	1	2	2	1
Tennessee: Memphis	75	4	3	ا	. 2	16	3	. 8
Nashville	3	1	i .		2	17	ŏ	6
Birmingham	9	3	2	7	1	119	1	8
Mobile Montgomery	30	1 1	3 0	30 6	4	0	1 0	3
West south central		j	l		1		- 1	
Arkansas: Fort Smith			ا	ŀ		ا	ا	
Little Rock	i	1 1	8 -		0	8	8	ō
Louisiana: New Orleans	10	15	12	14	16	اه	o	16
Shreveport Oklahoma:	12	0	2 -		0	Ö	0	6
Muskogee Tulsa	5 7	0	2	11		1	3 -	
rexas:	i	2	2 -			1	0 -	
Dallas Fort Worth	44 3 2	6	6 -		0 1	0	0	7
Galveston Houston	12	1 6.	1 -		8	0	0 2	6
San Antonio	2	8	6		25	3	ő	11

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931-Continued

		Diph	theria	Influ	enza			_
Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Cases, estimated expect- ancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported	Measles, cases re- ported	Mumps, cases re- ported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported
MOUNTAIN								
Montana:	1		İ					
Billings	- 6	0	0		0	0	0	
Great Falls	3	ĭ	١ .		ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	
Helena	Ĭ	Ô	0		ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	- 1
Missoula	Ŏ	Ĭŏ	l ŏ		ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	
Idaho:	٠,	•	•		•	۰	, v	•
Boise	3	0	0		0	0	0	2
Colorado:	-	•			•	•	•	•
Denver-		9						
Pueblo	2	ĭ	0		0	67	0	1
New Mexico:	1 -	-	1			•		-
Albuquerque	. 5	0			0	0	0	3
Arisona:	1	•	1			•	· •	_
Phoenix	. 1	0	1 0		1	0	0	4
Utah:] -				_			
Salt Lake City	. 11	2	l o		0	0	5	2
Nevada:		_	•			_		_
Reno	.! 0	0	2		0	0	0	2
	1 1		i -			•	·	_
PACIFIC								
Washington:	1			1			i	
Seattle	. 22	4	3			2	30	
Spokane		3	Ĭ			10	ŏ	
Tacoma	1 12	ĭ	ī		0	ŏ	ĭ	3
Oregon:	1 1	-				,	- 1	_
Portland	17	7	5		0	15	16	đ
Salem	l öl	Ŏ	Ŏ		Ŏ	8	24	Ŏ
California:	1					"		•
Los Angeles	85	42	10	112	1	66	11	14
Sacramento	32	2	3	3	2	2	7	3
San Francisco	67	16	7	86	3	6	2	10
		1	••	<u>'</u>				
1 8	Scarlet fever	r S	mallpox	L.		hoid fever	L	
<u> </u>		_		Tuber			Whoor)-
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	Scarle	t fever	Smallpox			Typhoid fever				Whoop-	
Division, State, and city	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Deaths, re- ported	culo- sis, deaths re-	Cases,	Cases, re- ported	Deaths, re- ported	ing cough,	Deaths, all causes
NEW ENGLAND											
Maine:	1	l					İ				
Portland	4	19	0	ه ا	0	0	0	0	0	26	37
New Hampshire:	•			ľ	ľ	•	4	1	Ĭ		
Concord	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Vermont:			1	l .					_		_
Barre	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	10	2 8
Burlington	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	8
Massachusetts:			١.				١ ,	١.	0	47	305
Boston	84	141	0	0	0	16	0	1 0	ŏ	4/	
Fall River	3	13	0	0	0	7	Ö	ŏ	ŏ	i	36 37
Springfield	10 10	9 32	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	4	ŏ	ő	ŏ	4	57
Worcester	10	32	١٧		U	3		U	v	-	"
Rhode Island: Pawtucket	2	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Providence	13	24	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	2	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ō	85
Connecticut:	10	<i></i>		•	•	-	•				
Bridgeport	11	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	32
Hartford	7	8	ŏ	ŏ	Ŏ	2	Ò	Ó	Ó	2	31 37
New Haven	10	Ž	Ŏ	Ō	Ō	1	0	0	0	2	37
MIDDLE ATLANTIC		_									
New York:											
Buffalo	30	29	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	17	175
New York	280	315	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	91	6	ž	ĭ	128	1.718
Rochester	200	94	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ő	ŏ	ō	ō	12	95
Syracuse	14	7	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	3	Ŏ	Ŏ	Ŏ	6	56

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931-Continued

	Scarle	t fever		Smallp	DX	Tuber-	T;	yphoid i	lever	Whoop-	
Division, State, and city	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expect ancy	Cases, re- ported	Deaths, re- ported	culo- sis, deaths re-	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Deaths, re- ported	ing cough.	Deaths, all causes
MIDDLE ATLAN-											
New Jersey: Camden Newark Trenton Pennsylvania: Philadelphia	7 47 6	5 38 14 183	0 0 0	0 0	0 0 0	1 12 6 36	0 0 1	0 0 2	0 0 0	0 34 1	38 140 42 602
Pittsburgh Reading	34	31	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	111	1 0	ŏ	ŏ	13	262 38
EAST NORTH CEN- TRAL						-	J				
Ohio: Cincinnati Cleveland Columbus Toledo Indiana:	22 53 12 14	37 101 13 7	1 0 1 1	0 0 0 10	0 0 0	10 17 3 9	1 0 0 0	0 1 0 0	0 1 0 0	19 0 2	146 231 81 82
Fort Wayne Indianapolis	5 11	8 60	0 6	0 12	0	3 4	0 1	0	0	0 26	27
South Bend Terre Haute	4 3	1	0 1	0	0	1 2	0	0	0	8	22 15
Illinois: Chicago Springfield Michigan:	139 3	224 6	2 0	0	0	41 2	2 0	0	0	47 0	860 26
Detroit Flint Grand Rapids.	121 16 13	109 16 15	3 1 1	2 0 3	0 0 0	29 3 1	1 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	54 7 8	369 15 29
Wisconsin: Kenosha Madison	2 3	2	0	0	0	o	0	0	0	0 7	3
Milwaukee Racine Superior	36 5 4	4 17 5 3	0 1 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	8 0 2	0	0 0 0	0 0	26 11 0	145 18 9
WEST NORTH CEN-											
Minnesota: Duluth Minneapolis St. Paul Iowa:	10 53 34	1 24 7	0 0 4	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 2 1	0 0 1	0 0 0	0	0 20 10	14 117
Davenport Des Moines Sioux City Waterloo	1 13 2 3	0 6 18 1	2 2 0 0	11 16 0 0			0 0 0	0		0 1 1 8	37
Missouri: Kansas City	19	13	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	7	130
St. Joseph St. Louis North Dakota:	3 37	7 155	2	0 2	0	18	0	0	0	9	21 382
Fargo	3 1	3 0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	11
Aberdeen Sioux Falls	1 2	1 0	. 0	0 5			0	8 -		0	10
Nebraska: Omaha Kansas:	6	16	1	22	0	0	0	o	0	2	59
Topeka	2 6	2	0	0 20	0	0 3	0	0	0	0	11 25
SOUTH ATLANTIC	-	-		-	-		1	1		-	
Delaware: Wilmington Maryland:	5	15	0	o	o	2	0	0	0	1	55
Baltimore Cumberland	39 1	39	0	8	8	19	1 0	0	0	16	304 11
Frederick	îl	2 7	ŏ	ŏl	ŏl	ŏl	ŏl	ŏ	ŏl	ŏ	4

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931—Continued

**************************************	Scarlet fever			8mallp	ox .	Tuher	Typhoid fever				
Division, State, and city	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	re-	Deaths, re- ported	culo- sis, deaths re-	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Deaths, re- ported	Whooping cough, cases re-ported	Deaths, all causes
SOUTH ATLANTIC— continued											
District of Col.: Washington	26	25	0	0	0	15	1	0	o	2	177
Virginia: Lynchburg	0	1	0	0	0	0	ه ا	0	0	0	13
Ncrfolk	2	8	0	0	0	2	Ó	0	0	5	
Richmond Roanoke	1	10	0	0	8	4	1 0	0	0	0	69 15
West Virginia: Charleston	l			-	1			1	-		I
Charleston	2 2	1 3	1 0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	23 15
Wheeling North Carolina:	-	•	ا	0	0	1	1	U	U	1	15
Raleigh	1	1	0	Q	0	1	Q	0	0	9	21
Wilmington	0 2	3	1 0	0	0	2 1	0	0	0	2 0	16 27
Winston-Salem South Carolina:		1 1	ľ	U	١	•	U	۷		_	21
Charleston	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	O I	41
Columbia Greenville	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	48
Georgia:		· .	1		i .						
Atlanta	6	46	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	75
Brunswick Savannah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2 37
Florida:	_					- 1				- 1	
Miami	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	34
St. Petersburg. Tampa	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	ŏ	i	23 30
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	_	_				_	_				
Kentucky: Covington	1	8	0	0	o	1	0	0	اه	1	24
Tennessee:	•	۰	١		١	•	·	۰	f		21
Memphis	8	35	0	2	0	1	0	5	o l	0 3	47
Nashville Alabama:	2	7	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	°	45
Birmingham	3	9	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	9	62
Mobile	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	25
Montgomery	0	4	0	0			0	0		- 1	
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL											
Arkansas:									- 1	_	
Fort Smith	1	4	Ŏ	0			0	0		2	
Little Rock Louisiana:	2	2	0	3	0	1	0	٠		- 1	
New Orleans	8	20	0	13	o l	25	2	1	0	0	181
Shreveport Oklahoma:	1	2	0	10	0	4	0	0	0	0	36
Muskogee	1	1	3	3	o	0	o	ol	0	0	
Tulsa	2	. 5	2	6			0	1		0	
Texas: Dallas	5	3	3	2	اه	6	1	2	o	8	68
Fort Worth	4	3	2	õ	ŏ	3	1	′ ō	Ō	0	27
Galveston	1 2	0	0	.0	0	0	0	1 0	81	8	16 73
Houston San Antonio	2	0	ő	11 0	0	5	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏl	66
	-		1		1	-	- 1	1		- 1	
MOUNTAIN	l		l		1	l	l	ŀ	i	I	
Montana:	_	_ [ا _ ا	_	_	_	ا ا	ا ـ	ا ۽	١.	
Billings Great Falls	3	1 12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 16	4 13
Helena	0	12	0	0	ö	0	0	0	0	0	13 2 7
Missoula	ĭ	ŏ	ĭ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	Ō	Ŏ	0	10	7
Idaho: Boise	1	ł	o	اه	اه	1	0	0	0	4	9
Colorado:	- 1	1		۲I	١,	•	- 1	۱	٠,	-1	•
Denver	13		0		ō-	····-	0			2	8
Pueblo	1	0 1	U	UI	U	U	U	U	U)	- 1	9

City reports for week ended February 14, 1981-Continued

	Scarle	t fever		Smallp	OX.	Tuber	173	phoid i	lover	Whoop-	
Division, State, and city	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	re-	culo- sis, deaths re-	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases, re- ported	Deaths, re- ported	ing cough, cases re- ported	Deaths, all causes
MOUNTAIN—con.											
New Mexico: Albuquerque Arizona: Phoenix	1 0	0 1	0	0	0	2 8	0	0	0	0	12
Utah: Salt Lake City_ Nevada: Reno	3 1	6 0	1 0	0	0	1 0	0	0	0	24 0	28
PACIFIC											
Washington: Seattle Spokane Tacoma Oregon:	11 7 3	18 2 1	3 8 4	2 4 1	0	0	0	0 0 0	0	33 0 0	27
Portland Salem California:	6 0	2 0	14 1	11 0	0	0	0	0	0	1 0	
Los Angeles Sacramento San Francisco	46 3 27	32 4 6	3 1 1	7 0 1	0 0 0	18 1 10	2 0 0	3 0 2	0 0 0	15 15 27	257 36 133
District Co. A		24	(eningo- coccus ningitis	Trem	argic en halitis	Pe	llagra		myelitis e paraly	
Division, Stat	te, and d	eity	Case	Deat	hs Cases	Death	s Cases	Death	Cases, esti- mated expect ancy	Cases	Deaths
NEW EN	GLAND										• :
Massachusetts: Boston			1		1 0	0	, ,	۰			0
MIDDLE AT				ĺ							
New York: New York New Jersey:			11		6 1	o	0	0	1	3	0
			1		1 0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0
Philadelphia Pittsburgh			9 4		6 1	2 0		0			0
EAST NORTH Ohio: Cincinnati			0		1 0	0	0	0	0		0
Cleveland Illinois:			i		2 1	ŏ		ŏ	ŏ		ŏ
Chicago Michigan: Detroit Flint			9 3		7 1 3 1 0 0	0	0	0	0	1 1	0 0
WEST NORTH			1	`		·		. •	"	"	Ū
Iowa: Davenport Sioux City 1			1 1		0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri: St. Joseph St. Louis Nebraska:		:	1 3		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaha 1 Nonresident.		••••••	. 1	j (0 0	0	0	0	1 0	0	0

Nonresident.

City reports for week ended February 14, 1931—Continued

	60	ningo- ocus ingitis		Lethargic en- cephalitis		llagra	Poliomyelitis (infan- tile paralysis)		
Division, State, and city	Casas	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases	Deaths
SOUTH ATLANTIC									
Maryland: Baltimore	2	0	0	0	o	0	0	0	0
North Carolina: Raleigh	0	0	o	0	0	2	0	0	0
Winston-Salem	3	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ő	l ŏ		ŏ
South Carolina:					1		_	_	
Charleston 3	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
ColumbiaGeorgia:	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Atlanta	0	0	o	0	0	1	0	0	
Brunswick		ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	î	ŏ	ŏ	0
Savannah	0	0	0	0	1	0.	0	0	0
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL									
Tennessee:									
Memphis	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nashville	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alabama: Birmingham	5	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Mobile	1	i	ŏ	ŏ	å	ń	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL		•				Ĭ		Ĭ	
Lonisiana:									
New Orleans	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
Shreveport	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	ō	ī	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ
MOUNTAIN Colorado:									
Pueblo	1 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona:		_		-					
Phoenix	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Utsh: Salt Lake	1	0	0	0	0	o	0	0	0
Nevada:	• •	•	"	٠,	١	١	•	ı	•
Reno	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D. Common									
PACIFIC California:			' I			ŀ		1	
Los Angeles	3	4	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Sacramento	0	0	0	Ó	0	0	0	2	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0

² Dengue: 10 cases at Charleston, S. C.

The following tables give the rates per 100,000 population for 98 cities for the 5-week period ended February 14, 1931, compared with those for a like period ended February 15, 1930. The population figures used in computing the rates are estimated mid-year populations for 1930 and 1931, respectively, derived from the 1930 census. The 98 cities reporting cases have an estimated aggregate population of more than 33,000,000. The 91 cities reporting deaths have more than 31,500,000 estimated population.

Summary of weekly reports from cities January 11 to February 14, 1931—Annual rates per 100,000 population, compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1930 1

DIPHTHERIA CASE RATES

		DIF II.	HEAL	A UAS	E KAT	FO				
					We	ek ende	d			
_	Jan. 17, 1931	Jan. 18, 1930	Jan. 24, 1931	Jan. 25, 1930	Jan. 31, 1931	Feb. 1, 1930	Feb. 7, 1931	Feb. 8, 1930	Feb. 14, 1931	Feb. 15, 1930
98 cities	74	108	2 79	110	1 89	112	4 78	92	⁵ 66	95
New England	91	133	108	160	106	135	82	119	75	104
Middle Atlantic East North Central	56	89	67	91	68	98	53	92	53	78
East North Central	95	126	6 94	144	7 111	139	96	102	85	114
West North Central South Atlantic	82 69	110 112	84	83	111	77	8 111	83	55	107
East South Central	70	60	9 65 76	116 66	73	116 84	9 75 52	76 72	59 52	102
West South Central	108	192	81	146	183	216	156	157	118	12/
Mountain.	52	53	35	35	70	35	78	70	110	65
Pacific	47	81	88	79	45	69	69	36	49	136 62 75
		ME	ASLES	CASE	RATE	s			<u>n</u>	<u>'</u> -
98 cities	324	203	2 404	220	1 420	278	4 476	317	\$ 523	411
New England	310	172	522	230	438	341	502	322	534	472
Middle Atlantic East North Central	158	117	251	111	306	145	353	176	397	213
East North Central	87	150	6 74	135	7 144	167	151	171	183	251
West North Central		372	1, 984	467	1, 521	424	8 1,649	610	1, 314	810
South Atlantic East South Central	500 995	182	804	172	9 1,032	314	1,294	268	1, 817	334
West South Central	890	36 373	698 10	24 582	908 17	54 293	1, 024	72 648	896	233 693
Mountain	374	247	757	220	496	396	1, 123	405	17 1,136	758
Pacific	55	579	72	626	110	1, 028	1, 123	1, 028	168	1, 243
	8C.	ARLET	FEVE	ER CA	SE RA	TES	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		!!!	
98 cities	316	272	2 333	288	1 337	292	4 321	323	5 347	302
New England	539	397	575	457	519	346	534	530	683	382
Middle Atlantic	282	212	314	226	328	239	304	260	321	234
Middle Atlantic East North Central	398	394	6 383	375	7 380	416	331	427	375	434
West North Central	321	265	323	314	386	283	8 519	370	474	331
South Atlantic	304	216	9 343	192	5 312	224	9 304	222	320	252
East South Central West South Central	465 129	90 125	483 142	149	512	143	419	191	378	149
Mountain	331	344	357	98 379	112 322	73	88	129	105	108
Pacific	72	237	119	314	143	414 306	261 145	361 289	123 123	423 269
		SMA	LLPOX	CASI	E RAT	ES			L	
98 cities	16	32	2 16	26	3 17	31	4 23	29	* 18	26
New England	0	0	0							
Middle Atlantic	ŏ	ŏ	8	5	0	0	0 2	2	0	7
Middle Atlantic East North Central	10	36	6 21	19	7 25	39	12	0 34	10	99
West North Central	98	124	77	72	84	48	8 168	60	84	33 48
South Atlantic East South Central	Ö	6	94	2	90	6	100	4	8	95 6
East South Central	17	0	29	0	17	12	29	0 !!	12	24
west south Central	27	38	34	35	51	73	81	94	132	98
Mountain	78	53	9	26	0	62	44	18	10	35
Pacific	29	123	20	152	18	152	24	126	29	89
		!		!		!				

¹ The figures given in this tables are rates per 100,000 population, annual basis, and not the number of cases reported. Populations used are estimates as of July 1, 1931 and 1930, respectively.

2 Springfield, Ill., and Columbia, S. C., not included.

3 South Bend, Ind., and Columbia, S. C., not included.

4 St. Paul, Minn., and Columbia, S. C., not included.

5 Springfield, Ill., not included.

5 Springfield, Ill., not included.

7 South Bend, Ind., not included.

8 St. Paul, Minn., not included.

9 Columbia, S. C., not included.

Summary of weekly reports from cities January 11 to February 14, 1931—Annual rates per 100,000 population, compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1930—Continued.

TYPHOID FEVER CASE RATES

	11	PHUII	FEV	ER CA	SE KA	TES				
					Wee	k ended	l—		_	
	Jan. 17, 1931	Jan. 18, 1930	Jan 24, 1931	Jan. 25, 1930	Jan. 31, 1931	Feb. 1, 1930	Feb. 7, 1931	Feb. 8, 1930	Feb. 14, 1931	Feb. 15, 1930
98 cities	5	5	16	4	* 5	5	14	4	83	6
New England Middle Atlantic East North Central West North Central South Atlantic East South Central West South Central Mountain Pacific	0 2 2 4 10 52 14 9	5 3 2 12 6 12 7 62 4	2 3 •3 10 •14 12 27 17 6	0 5 2 2 8 18 3 9	5 2 71 13 •8 17 14 0	0 5 3 4 8 6 3 9	2 1 2 8 2 9 18 6 24 0	0 3 5 2 12 18 7 0 2	2 2 1 2 0 29 14 5 0	2 6 3 10 8 18 7 0 4
	I	NFLU	ENZA 1	DEATI	I RAT	ES				
91 cities	36	19	2 52	21	3 70	16	4 60	14	8 59	20
New England Middle Atlantic East North Central West North Central South Atlantic East South Central West South Central West South Central Mountain Pacific	10 59 9 18 41 63 79 35	10 14 17 17 24 39 60 26 12	12 91 • 18 29 • 38 63 83 44 22	10 14 17 18 34 52 103 9 15	34 101 7 36 29 127 76 100 52 14	2 14 13 18 12 52 82 9 2	46 68 52 8 17 9 129 63 73 52 12	5 10 12 21 12 32 50 44 7	46 49 56 56 118 63 159 5 0 14	5 14 17 12 32 58 68 35 17
	P	NEUM	ONIA	DEAT	H RAT	ES				
91 cities	219	151	2 229	140	³ 258	164	4 233	175	5 220	171
New England Middle Atlantic East North Central West North Central South Atlantic East South Central West South Central Mountain Pacific	159 311 124 212 237 227 228 270 118	126 159 108 209 186 142 221 256 137	178 332 6 125 - 171 9 280 296 245 157 103	138 128 110 150 214 194 288 220 77	185 368 7 177 159 9 345 227 203 200 115	193 158 128 162 238 239 292 229 92	286 293 176 8 150 9 325 176 214 209 72	160 180 138 159 216 207 270 379 130	291 254 182 124 373 164 176 5 187 72	193 191 128 111 214 220 256 256 107

<sup>Springfield, Ill., and Columbia, S. C., not included.
South Bend, Ind., and Columbia, S. C., not included.
St. Paul, Minn., and Columbia, S. C., not included.
Denver, Colo., not included.
Springfield, Ill., not included.
South Bend, Ind., not included.
St. Paul, Minn., not included.
Columbia, S. C., not included.</sup>

FOREIGN AND INSULAR

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AGAINST INFLUENZA TAKEN IN EGYPT

Information has been received, under date of February 17, 1931, that, in view of the spreading influenza epidemic in Europe, the Public Health Service of Egypt had decided to take severe preventive measures. For a period of approximately two months all those suffering from influenza who may debark from ships will be isolated at the port of arrival in Egypt, either in a government hospital or in a hospital selected by the patient.

CANADA

Provinces—Communicable diseases—Week ended February 14, 1931.— The Department of Pensions and National Health of Canada reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended February 14, 1931, as follows:

Province	Cerebro- spinal fever	Influenza	Lethar- gic en- cephalitis	Smallpox	Typhoid fever
Prince Edward Island 1		1			
Nova Scotia	· 1	75			
New Brunswick 1Quebec					23
Ontario.		108		10	4
Manitoba			1		3
Saskatchewan	1			17	
British Columbia		10		i	1
Total	2	193	1	29	31

¹ No case of any disease included in the table was reported during the week.

Quebec Province—Communicable diseases—Week ended February 14, 1931.—The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended February 14, 1931, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Chicken pox	47 31 12 2 49	Mumps Scarlet fever Tuberculosis Typhoid fever Whooping cough	21 89 45 23 33

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Communicable diseases—December, 1930.—During the month of December, 1930, certain communicable diseases were reported in the Republic of Czechoslovakia as follows:

Disease	Cases	Deaths	Disease	Cases	Deaths
Anthrax Cerebrospinal meningitis Diphtheria Dysentery Malaria Paratyphoid fever	9 5 2,830 15 1 15	165 1	Puerperal fever Scarlet fever Trachoma Typhoid fever Typhus fever	51 1, 673 139 499 24	17 50 38 38 3

JAMAICA

Communicable diseases—Four weeks ended January 31, 1931.—During the four weeks ended January 31, 1931, cases of certain communicable diseases were reported in Kingston, Jamaica, and in the island of Jamaica outside of Kingston, as follows:

Disease	Kingston	Other localities	Disease	Kingston	Other localities
Cerebrospinal meningitis Chicken pox Dysentery Leprosy	1 1	1 1 2 2	Scarlet fever	7 34 11	25 62 28

PANAMA CANAL ZONE

Communicable diseases—December, 1930.—During the month of December, 1930, certain communicable diseases, including imported cases, were reported in the Panama Canal Zone and terminal cities as follows:

Disease	Cases	Deaths	Disease	Cases	Deaths
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Communicable diseases—January, 1931.—During the month of January, 1931, cases of certain communicable diseases were reported in the Virgin Islands as follows:

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	Sprue	1
	Syphilis	6
	Whooping cough	4
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CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER

From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, International Office of Public Hygiene, Pan American Sanitary Bureau, health section of the League of Nations, and other the Isl of countries included or the figures for the present section reports are given.

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² During the period from Aug. 24 to Sept. 26, 1830, 26 cases of cholers with 17 deaths were reported in Manitum, Surigao Province, P. L.

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